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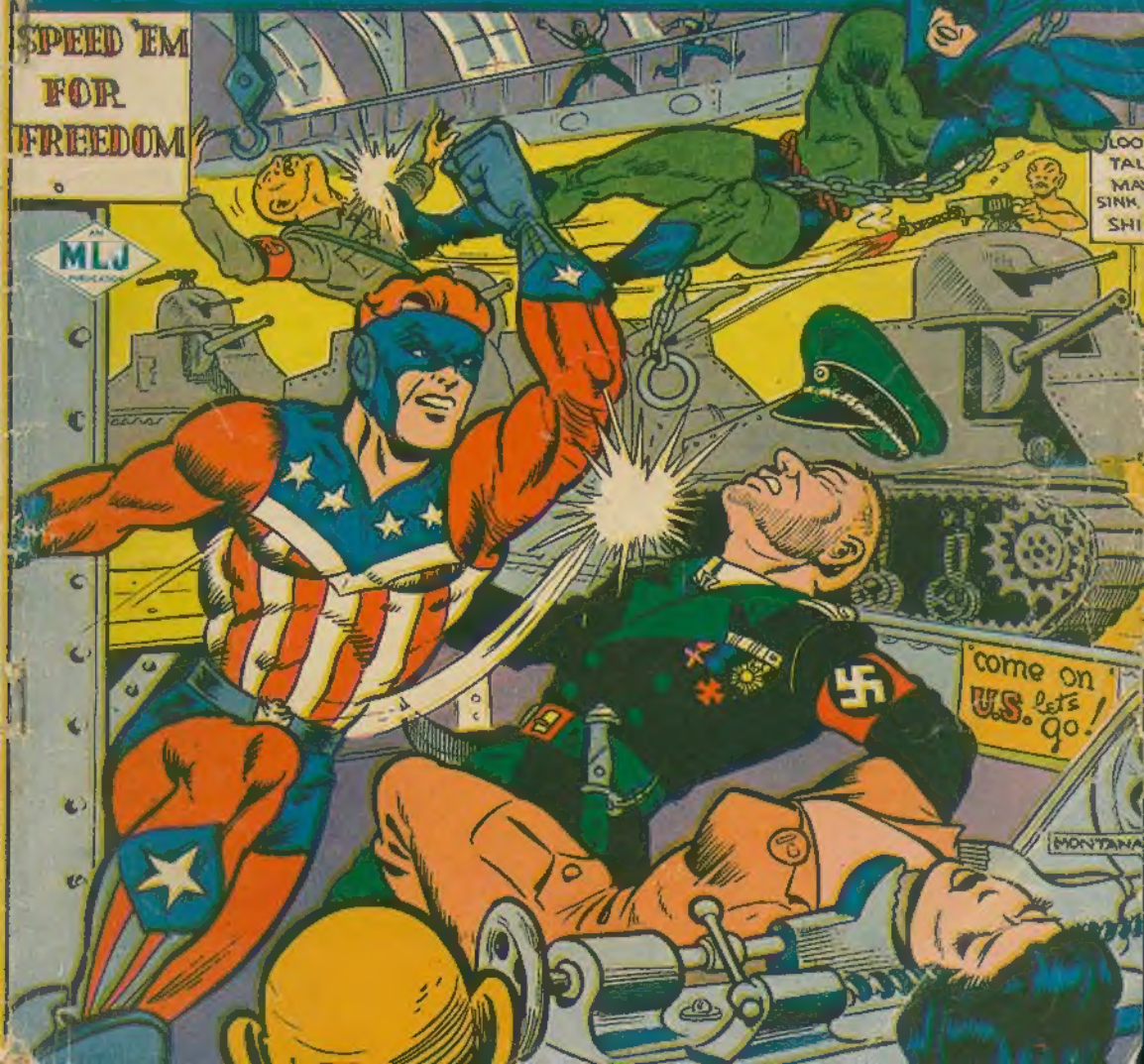
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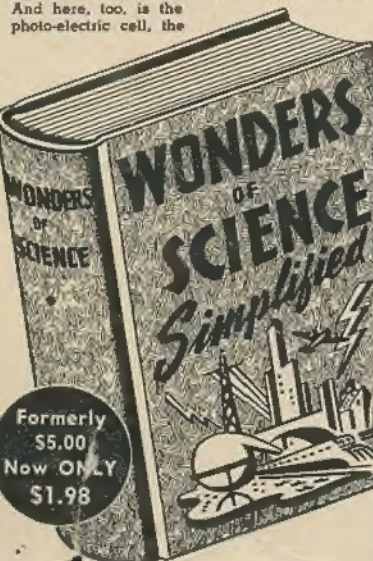
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BATTLE
HUN

ONLY THE COURAGEOUS, THE FEARLESS,
AND THOSE IN THE RIGHT CAN BATTLE
WITH THE STRENGTH OF THE SHIELD
AND DUSTY...
WHEN THIS DYNAMITE DUO PITCHES
IN AND EXCHANGES BLOW FOR BLOW
WITH THAT HERCULES OF HATE, THE
HUN - STRONG MEN SHAKE IN THEIR
BOOTS AND COUNTRIES TREMBLE!

IRVING
KAPLAN



OFF THE ATLANTIC COAST,
A CONVOY CAPTAIN
FOCUSES HIS
BINOCULARS

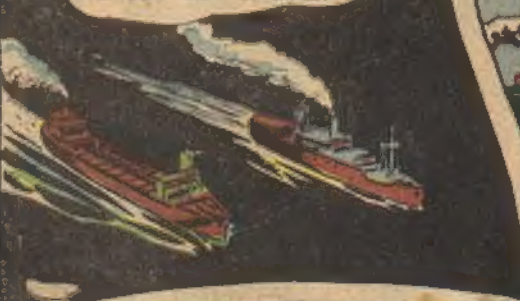


FUNNY! THAT
DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE ONE OF
OUR SHIPS.

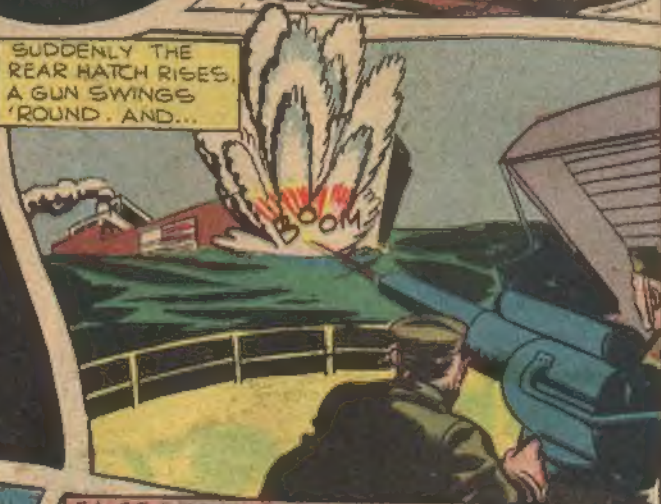


THE MYSTERY SHIP CHURNS ABREAST
OF THE ALLIED FREIGHTER...

I DON'T LIKE THIS... THAT
BOAT ISN'T SUPPOSED
TO GET OUT OF LINE!



SUDDENLY THE
REAR HATCH RISES.
A GUN SWINGS
'ROUND. AND...



GREAT
JUPITER!
IT'S A
RAIDER!



FALSE DECKS SLIDE BACK AND HEAVY
GUNS SPOUT TONS OF DEATH



FIRE!
POINT-BLANK!
UND QUICK!

TO THE LIFEBOATS,
MEN! WE HAVEN'T
A CHANCE!



LIKE A WICKED GARGOYLE
THE HUN BARKS OUT A
COMMAND...

SHOW DEM
NO MERCY! VE
CANNOT LET ANY
ONE LIVE TO GIVE
US AWAY!
KILL DEM ALL!

MOTHER OF HEAVEN!
THEY'RE FIRING ON
THE OPEN BOATS!

DOT'S IT!
BLOW DEM
RIGHT OUT OF
DER VATER!

AN HOUR OF
HAVOC PASSES...

GOOT! GOOT!
NO VUN LEFT
TO TALK!

BUT THE HUN
IS MISTAKEN.
ON A FLOATING SPAR
THERE STILL BREATHES
A SURVIVOR!

I'LL LIVE TO TELL
THIS TALE OF HORROR, HUN!
I'LL SEE TO IT THAT YOU
GET YOURS! I SWEAR IT!

HOURS LATER, OFF THE
COAST OF MAINE... A STRANGE SCENE
TAKES PLACE...

HURRY! HURRY!
VE MUST MAKE
A LANDING BE-
FORE THE
COAST GUARD
ARRIVES!

WITHIN A SHORT TIME, THE FIENDISH
INGENUITY OF THE NAZIS IS EXECUTED!
A PONTOON BRIDGE FROM SHIP TO
SHORE!

SECRET DOORS YAWN OPEN...
AND TWO TRUCKS ROLL OUT!

I LEAVE YOU IN COMMAND,
KAPITAN LUTZ! GO OUT TO
SEA AND AVAIL INSTRUCTIONS
BY RADIO FROM ME. I GO
MIT OUR TRUCKS!

HOURS LATER, THE
MYSTERIOUS CARAVAN
NEARS A SMALL
RADIO STATION...

WE ARE
APPROACHING
OUR FIRST
OBJECTIVE,
HERR HUN!

YOU UND DER MEN
VAIT HERE, DIEMERT!
I HAF A LIDDLE
BUSINESS TO
ATTEND TO!

AT THAT MOMENT,
INSIDE THE
STATION...

ALL SET TO GO ON THE
AIR, PHIL & TEN
SECONDS TO
GO!

UND FIVE
SECONDS
TO PUT
UP DER
HANDS—
AMERICAN
SCHWEIN!

MASTER CONTROL
CALLING! WHAT'S
THE MATTER? WHY
AREN'T YOU ON
THE AIR? WE'RE
STANDING BY
FOR YOUR
SIGNAL!

TALK QUICK! UDDER
VISE YOU DIE QVCK!
UND NO FALSE
MOVES! I
VARN
YOU!



MEANWHILE, THE ONE
SURVIVOR OF THE
HUN'S RUTHLESS
SINKING IS PICKED
UP AT SEA

AND UPON RE
GAINING HIS
STRENGTH...

I TELL YOU IT
WAS THE HUN,
SIR! OUR POSITION
WAS

Y VES'G GOOD
EVENING! TH'HS
IS STATION KYZ
IN MAINE BROAD
CASTING THE
LATEST WEATHER
REPORTS! T-TO-
MORROW CLEAR

THEIR POSITION
WAS LAT TUDE
NO LONGITUDE BI
THE HUN ON A
RAIDER, MR
HOOVER!

RIGHT! I'LL
HAVE MY
FBI MEN
TRACK DOWN
ALL POSS-
BLE CLUES!
THANKS FOR
CALLING ME,
CAPTAIN!

HMM! I'D
BETTER CALL
IN JOE HIGGINS
HE WAS ON THE
TRAIL OF
THE HUN
IN
MEXICO
LAST MONTH!
HE'D BE
JUST THE
MAN TO
WORK ON
THIS CASE!

AT THAT MOMENT
THE DOOR BURSTS
OPEN...

LATER THAT DAY

YOU SENT
FOR ME,
CHIEF?

I'D! SOME-
THING BIG HAS
BROKEN AND I
WANT YOU AND
DUSTY TO
WORK ON
A CASE
FOR ME!

AND THAT'S THE SIZE OF
IT JOE! I WONDERED IF
YOU'D HAVE ANY IDEA
WHAT THE HUN MIGHT
BE UP TO!

THE HUN
SIGHTED OFF
THE COAST
OF MAINE.
G GOSH!

SORRY TO
DISTURB YOU, S R
BUT RADIO STATION
KYZ IN MAINE
IS GIVING OUT
WEATHER
REPORTS!

THE FOOLS THEY MUST
NOW WEATHER REPORTS
HAVE BEEN FORBIDDEN
FOR THE DURATION.
WIRE THE STATION
IMMEDIATELY TO
CUT IT OUT!

YES SIR!

MMM
VERY
STRANGE!

THE HUN SIGHTED OFF
THE COAST AND THEN A
RADIO STATION ACTING
QUEERLY I'VE A HUNCH
THIS MAY ADD UP TO
SOMETHING!

WELL, ER. MMM
CHIEF, I'LL BE
RUNNING ALONG NOW!

IF I GET ANY
IDEAS ABOUT
THE HUN I'LL
LET YOU
KNOW!

SO LONG!
WE'LL BE
SEEING
YOU!

I HOPE
SO, DUSTY!
THANKS, JOE.
FOR STOP-
PING IN!

OUR SCENE RAPIDLY
SHIFTS BACK TO STATION
KYZ IN THE NORTHLANDS

AND TH THAT'S ALL
THE NEWS AND
WEATHER REPORTS
FOR TONIGHT!

STATION KYZ
SIGNING OFF A MASTER
CONTROL CALLING
STOP THOSE
WEATHER REPORTS
YOU KNOW THEY
DARE AGAINST
REGULATIONS!
ARE YOU
CRAZY?

I DON'T LIKE YOUR
PROGRAMS HERR
ANNOUNCER!

SO!!
TRY TO
DOUBLE-CROSS DER
HUN, WOULD YOU?

GIVE ME
DOT MICRO-
PHONE, YOU
BLABBING
FOOL!

I THINK
I WILL CUT
YOU OFF DER
AIR FOR
GOOD!



VOU ARE YOU DOING MIT
DER CONTROLS, MISERABLE
MONKEY?

DIS VILL TAKE
YOU OUT OF YOUR
MISERY!

BONG

OTTO! HAND!
SERHARDT!
COME HERE
QUICK!

ONCE AGAIN
THE TWO TRUCKS ROAR
INTO THE DAWN

YOU THREE VILL TAKE
OFFER DIS RADIO STATION!
I AM LEAFING FOR OUR
OBJECTIVE MIT DER REST OF
DER MEN I VILL KEEP IN
TOUCH MIT YOU ON MY
SHORT VAVE SET!

ANNUDDER
FIFTY MILES
UND VE ARE
DERE!

MEANWHILE
THE SHIELD AND DUSTY
HAVE SET THEIR PLANE
DOWN NEAR-
BY AND

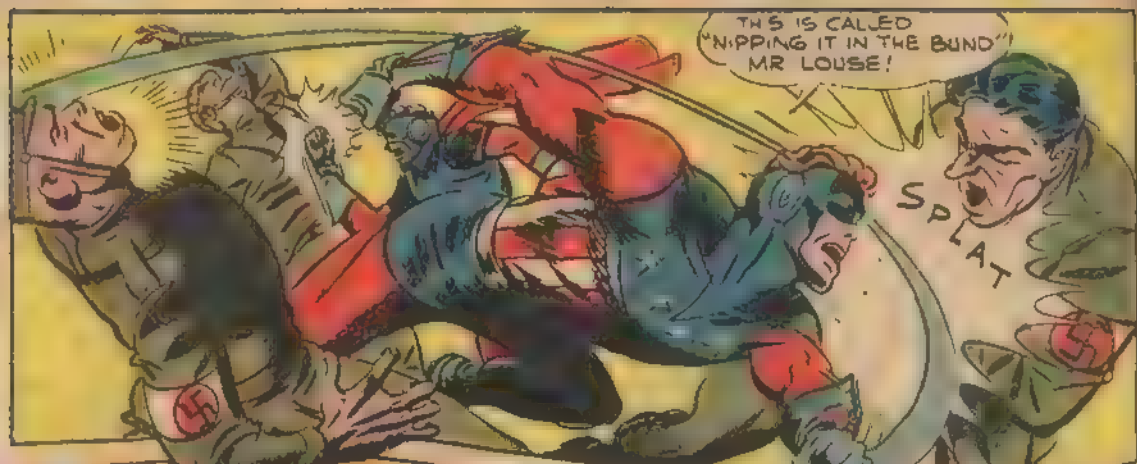
THATS
RADIO
STATION,
KYZ, DUSTY,
COME ON!

BUT WHEN THE
FEARLESS PAIR
ARRIVE AT THE
FRONT DOOR
VERE DO YOU
TINK YOU ARE
GOING?

I'M NOT
GOING, BROTHER!
YOU ARE!

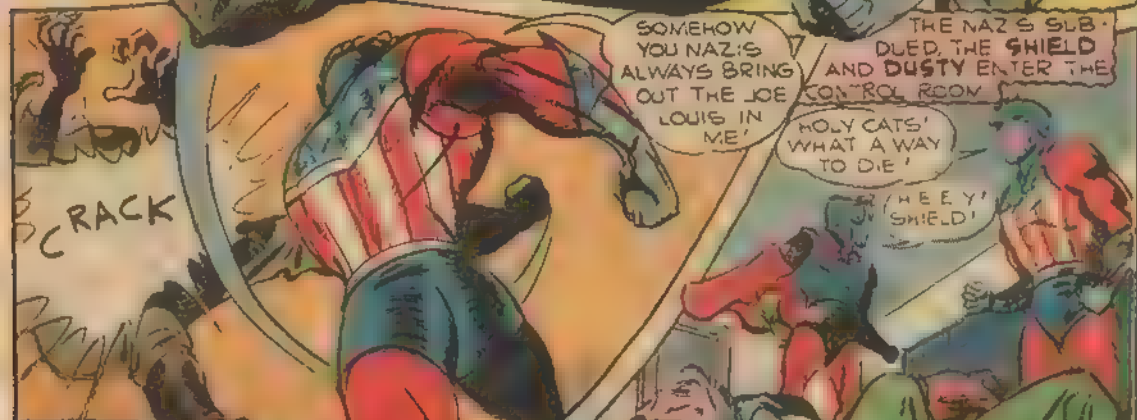
LOOKS
DESERTED
DOESNT IT?

BAM



THIS IS CALLED
"NIPPING IT IN THE BUND"
MR LOUSE!

SPLAT

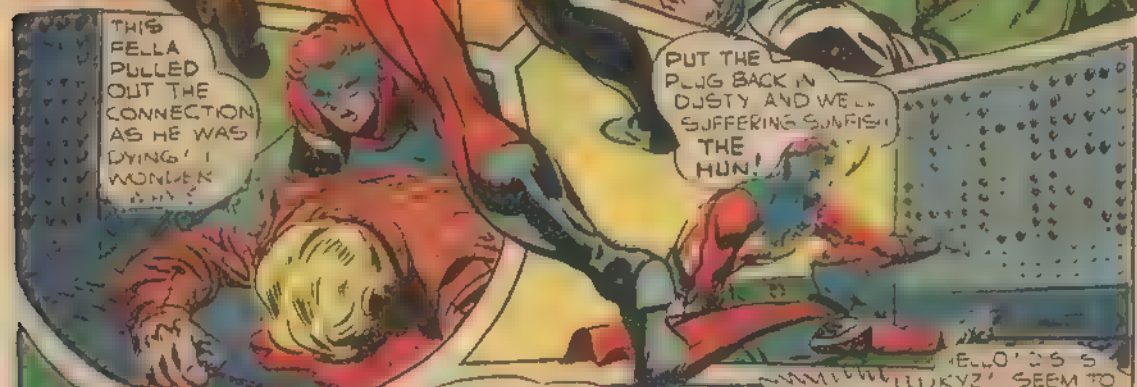


SOMEHOW
YOU NAZIS
ALWAYS BRING
OUT THE JOE
LOUIS IN
ME!

THE NAZIS SUB-
DUED THE SHIELD
AND DUSTY ENTER THE
CONTROL ROOM

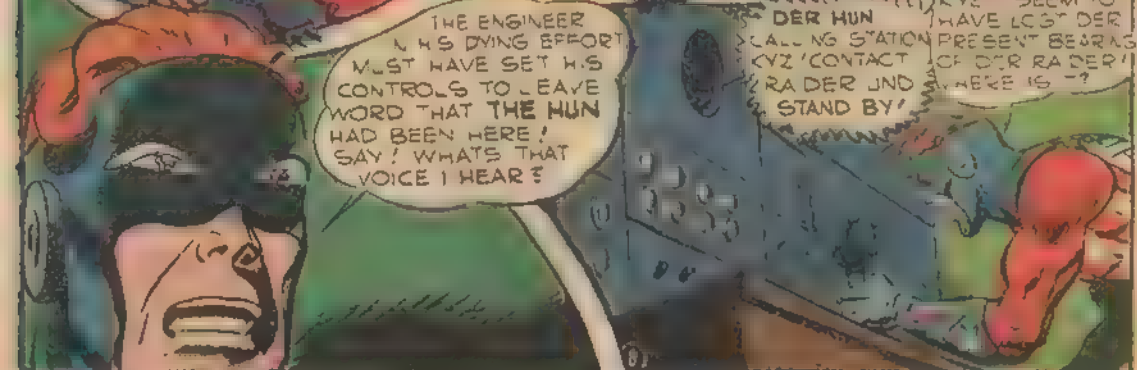
HOLY CATS!
WHAT A WAY
TO DIE!

'HEEY!
SHIELD!



THIS
FELLA
PULLED
OUT THE
CONNECTION
AS HE WAS
DYING! I
WONDER
WHY?

PUT THE
PLUG BACK IN
DUSTY AND WE'LL
SUFFERING SUNFIS!
THE
HUN!



THE ENGINEER
IN HIS DYING EFFORT
MUST HAVE SET HIS
CONTROLS TO LEAVE
WORD THAT THE HUN
HAD BEEN HERE!
SAY! WHAT'S THAT
VOICE I HEAR?

HELLO DUSTY'S
KEYZ SEEM TO
HAVE LOST DER
PRESENT BEARING
OF DER RADER!
RADER JND WHERE IS
STAND BY!

AND AT HIS SHORT WAVE
SET INSIDE THE TRUCK,
THE HUN WAGES
FLIRTS

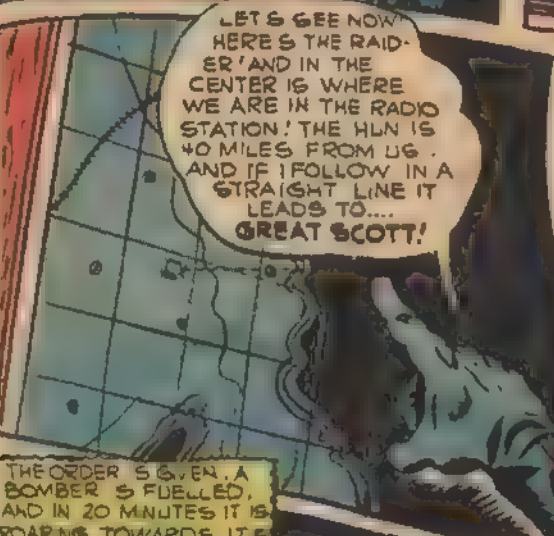


DUM KOPF!
DE MOMENT I AM
FORTY MILES AWAY
YOU FORGET EVERYTHING
OUR RAIDER LIES AT
ANCHOR AT LATITUDE 21
LONGITUDE 64
AND DON'T FOR-
GET IT!

I WON'T DUSTY.
TELEPHONE THE NAVY
THAT THERE'S AN ENEMY
RAIDER AT 2-64. I'M
GOING TO LOOK AT
THAT MAP!



A RAIDER!
BOY, THAT
HUN SAILS
IN STYLE!



LET'S SEE NOW
HERE'S THE RAIDER
'AND IN THE
CENTER IS WHERE
WE ARE IN THE RADIO
STATION! THE HUN IS
40 MILES FROM US.
AND IF I FOLLOW IN A
STRAIGHT LINE IT
LEADS TO....
GREAT SCOTT!

AT NAVY HEADQUARTERS, DUSTY'S
MESSAGE COMES THROUGH

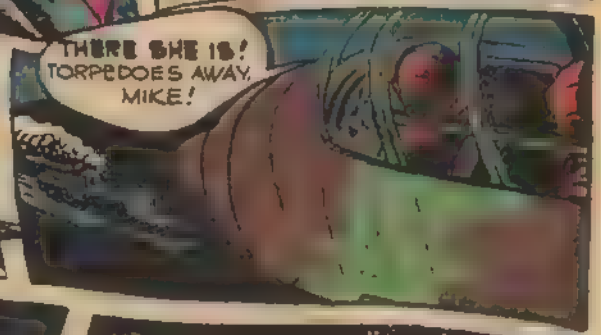
OKAY, THANKS! WE'LL HAVE
A PLANE AFTER THAT RAIDER
BEFORE YOU CAN SAY JACK
ROBINSON!



THE ORDER IS GIVEN, A
BOMBER IS FUELLED,
AND IN 20 MINUTES IT IS
ROARING TOWARDS ITS
QUARRY



THERE SHE IS!
TORPEDOES AWAY,
MIKE!



THEY
OUGHT TO
GET A BIG
KICK OUT
OF THIS!



NOW LET US LOOK BACK UPON THE MUN
WHICH EVERY MINUTE GETS CLOSER TO US
MYSTERIOUS DESTINATION

WE STOP HERE! 'GO N MIT
THREE MEN VAT FOR US'

NS DE THE
FARMHOUSE

MJMMV
DADDY LOOK
AT THE STRANGE
MEN COMING
HERE'

WHY HELL
STRANGERS, WHAT
CAN YOU DO FOR
ME?

YOU CAN GET
OUT OF MY WAY
S'UP D VOREL'

UPON THE FART-AS
FALL EN DER HISTORIN HONOR
OF DER NEW OPERA VIL. WIL
REISER VOR FACH IMME
ATEL VOR MAKE A GOOD FINE
MILITARY MEN
DE HERE

VALS
GUM IN
FIRK THAT
KIND OF TALK I'M
PICKING UP THE
SHERIFF BY
GUM!

DON'T
DER HUN
CANNOT
WASTE TIME
ARGUING 'DER
MEN VILL RE
HERE ANY
VAY'

WAGHNY

SUDDENLY THE DOOR
CRASHES OPEN AND

THE HUN!
GEEING I'M
ALWAYS RUNNING
INTO YOU!

BANG

JA! BUT VE DON'T HIT IT OFF SO
WELL, DO VE, SHIELD!

OUT OF
MY WAY -
YOU BLASTED
BRAT!

VE CAN'T
WASTE ANY
MORE TIME
HERE! OUR
MEN ARE
EXPECTING
US! LET
US HURRY!

WHAM

UP OVER THE
FINAL RIDGE, GRIND
THE TRUCKS
WHAT IS
THEIR UN-
KNOWN
MISSION?

DOES IT AN
AMERICAN CON-
CENTRATION CAMP FOR
GERMANS. IN FIVE MINUTES
VE WILL FIRE ON DER GUARDS
AND LIBERATE A
THOUSAND LOYAL
NAZIS!

A THOUSAND
OF US WILL BE DER OUTPOST
OF DER NEW ORDER IN
AMERICA WHEN GIVE
DER SIGNAL FIRE ON DER
SQUARE IN DER TLE
RETS

SECONDS TICK BY, PUNCTUATED
BY FEVERISH ACTIVITY BY THE
WOULD-BE LIBERATORS

GOOT! NOW FOLLOW
MY PLANS, UND

AGAIN, THE SHIELD
BURSTS IN -
FISTS FLAILING

I'M CHANGING YOUR
PLANE, AND YOUR
PANS, NAZIS!

I'D BETTER RUN FOR IT WHILE
I CAN! IF DER SHIELD IS MID-
OUT HIS SUPER-POWER
NOW - DONNERVETTER...VOT
VAS HE LIKE BEFORE?

DIE
HAND GRENADE
SHOULD FINISH
HIM OFF

SO YOU LIKE
TO PITCH, EH
SCREWBALL?

THIS ONE ALWAYS
PUTS THE VISITORS
OUT OF THE
GAME!

WELL, DUSTY, THAT LOOKS LIKE
A FUNERAL PYRE FOR THE HUN -
DOESN'T IT?

I HOPE IT IS,
SHIELD! I
DON'T SEE
HOW ANY
ONE COULD
LIVE THROUGH
THAT!

IS THE
SHIELD
RIGHT?
IS THE HUN
THROUGH?
OR WILL HE
SURVIVE EVEN
THE ROARING
FLAMES OF
DEATH?
SURVIVE TO
DIT HIS
TREACHEROUS
CUNNING
AGAINST
THE SHIELD
AND DUSTY?
SEE NEXT
MONTH'S PEP
COMICS!



THE HANGMAN AND THE BULLFROG!
THE CURTAIN RISES ON THE OPERA AND
THE SINGERS RAISE THEIR VOICES MEL-
LORIOUSLY. SUDDENLY, A HARSH & GUTTER-
ANT NOTE PIERCES THE AIR, A GIGANT-
IC SCALY FORM HURTTLES ONTO THE
STAGE AND CROAKS AN ARIA OF
"DEATH"... THE BULLFROG
STRIKES AGAIN!

A GALA NIGHT THE DIAMOND
HORSESHOE ALIVE WITH SOCIETY
HERALDS THE OPENING OF
THE NEW OPERA
LA SANDRA

JHELYA GORDON AND BOB DICKERING MATCH
WITH JAY CLARK
THE OPERA'S
PRODUCER

"I'M WORRIED IT, JK!
MADE A MISTAKE CASTING
PAGINI IN MY
OPERA!"

"WHO'S
PAGINI?"

"WHY
BOB, YOU
KNOW LESS
ABOUT OPERA
THAN I THOUGHT."
PAGINI USED TO
HAVE THE GREAT-
EST SINGING VOICE
IN THE WORLD!"

"YES NO -
ONE WAS
GREATER THAN
PAGINI! BOB! I
WANTED TO SEE
HIM MAKE HIS
COMEBACK, SO I
GAVE HIM A SMALL
PART IN THIS
OPERA!"

"MEANWHILE BACKSTAGE
PAGINI PREPARES
FOR THE COMEBACK
WITH A LITTLE 'COUGH
MEDICINE'."

"PLEASE DON'T
DRINK ANY MORE,
PAGINI! PLEASE,
YOU WERE SUCH A
GREAT SINGER BE-
FORE YOU TOOK TO
DRINKING, AND."

"WHAT DO YOU
MEAN WAS A GREAT
SINGER? HE! I STILL
AM THE... NO ONE'S
GREATER THAN
PAGINI!"

"CURSE IT!
HERE COMES
THAT SNOOPING
SOPRANO! SHE'S
ALWAYS CONCERN-
ED ABOUT ME!"



PSST YOU DRUNKEN FOOL! GRAB HOLD OF YOURSELF, IT'S YOUR DUE TO SING!



O DRINK AM I? W H E L H C S E E T MY VOICE IS KILLED PAGIN H C IS AS GREAT AS HE EVER WAS!



OH TRUE LOVE OF MY LIFE... AWWRRKKKK



GREAT GHOSTS OF CARUSO HE'S SINGING FLAT AS A LARD CAN REFRIG!

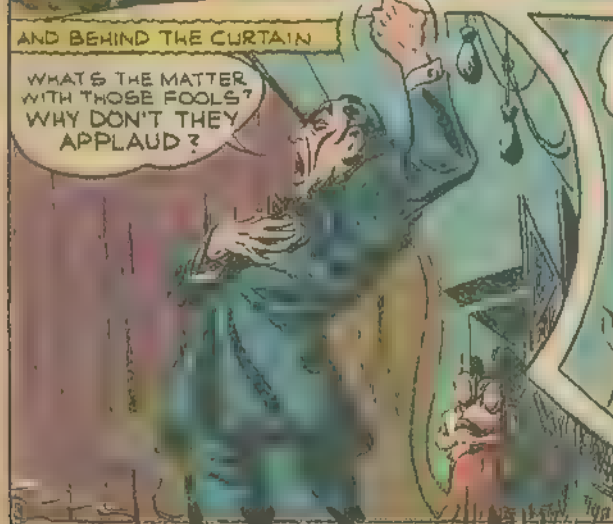
HMM... IT SOUNDS JUST LIKE OPERA HERE... IN ME ALL THE TIME!



SOON THE FIRST ACT IS MERCIFULLY OVER

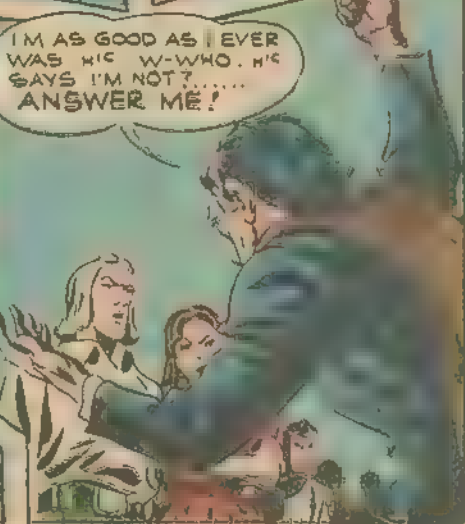
ISN'T THAT AWFUL? I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S THE GREAT PAGINI!

EVEN IN THAT SMALL PART HE'S RUINING THE OPERA!



AND BEHIND THE CURTAIN

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THOSE FOOLS? WHY DON'T THEY APPLAUD?



I'M AS GOOD AS NEVER WAS HIC W-WHO. HIC SAYS I'M NOT?..... ANSWER ME!

WHILE PAGINI RANTS ONSTAGE
THE PROPERTY MAN COLLECTS THE
ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOW-
ING ACT.

ACCIDENTALLY KETPS UP THE LID OF THE AQLARIUM AND..

OUT HOPS A BULLFROG

HASTILY THE PROPERTY MAN WHIPPED OUT STAGE

WHY DON'T YOU ANSWER?
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY VOICE NOW?

ER AH

UH YOU SEE!

WHY DON'T YOU ANSWER?
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY VOICE NOW?

ER AH

UH YOU SEE!

TO RETRIEVE THE FROG

TAKE IT EASY, PAGINI, IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!

WHY YOU 何で!! ~*!
I'LL KILL YOU.

HO HO HO
HA HA HA
HA HA HA

WHY YOU 何で!! ~*!
I'LL KILL YOU.

HO HO HO
HA HA HA
HA HA HA



MOCK
MY SINGING,
WILL YOU?
ME THE GREAT
PAGINI! YOU'LL
MOCK THE WORMS
IF YOU'VE!

AAAAAGH!

UGH!
LET ME
GO!

TAKE IT EASY, PAGINI
OR YOU'LL GET
HURT!

WARNED
YOU, PAGINI!

CRACK

COME HERE BOYS!
CART PAGINI UP TO
THE DRESSING
ROOM!

UP IN PAGINI'S DRESSING ROOM

GAVE YOU YOUR CHANCE
FOR A COMEBACK! AND TO
REPAY MY FAITH IN YOU
... YOU GET DRUNK.

AND RUIN THE ENTIRE FIRST
ACT! I'VE PUT UP WITH YOUR
TEMPER AND TEMPERAMENT
LONG ENOUGH!

BUT ALMOST KILLING A MAN, & THE
LAST STRAW YOU'RE THROUGH FOR
GOOD THIS TIME, PAGNI! THAT FROG
HAD THE RIGHT IDEA - YOUR VOICE
DOES SOUND LIKE A CROAK!

I'M PUTTING YOUR
UNDERSTUDY ON
FOR THE REST OF
THE OPERA, NOW
GET OUT AND
STAY OUT. YOU
YOU! BULLFROG!

BULLFROG! THE DIS
CALLED ME THE
GREAT PAGNI - A
BULLFROG! I'LL
KILL HIM - I
SWEAR IT!

AS I
PAGNI
VOWS
VENGEANCE
THE ROOM
SUDDENLY
FADING AS THE
ALARM BELL OF
THE THEATRE

IN THE
GALLOW'S!

YES PAGNI, THE
GALLOW'S A WARNING
OF WHAT'S TO COME IF
YOU CARRY OUT YOUR
THREAT! THOSE THOUGHTS
LEAD TO MURDER...
AND MURDER LEADS
TO THE GALLOW'S!

AND THEN WITH THE SAME
WRAITH LIKE SILENCE OF HIS
APPROACH, THE HANGMAN
DISAPPEARS...

THINKS HE CAN
FRIGHTEN ME -
DOES HE? I'LL
SHOW HIM!

PAGNI
DESCENDS INTO THE
VAULTS BELOW THE STAGE
WHERE THE COSTUMES
ARE KEPT...

CALL ME A
BULLFROG, EH?
VERY WELL, I
SHALL NEED
BECOME...

A BULLFROG!
REVENGE WILL
BE SWEET WHEN
THE BULLFROG
STRIKES!



NOW I AM
NEED -
BULLFROG!

SLOWLY STEALTHILY, THE SCALY
MONSTER GLINKS ALONG THE
OPERA HOUSE CORRIDOR -
HIS INTENTIONS, MURDER!

MEANWHILE AT THE CLOSE
OF THE SECOND ACT -

CONGRATULATIONS JOHN,
YOU'VE REALLY RESCUED
THAT PART AFTER WHAT
PAGINI DID TO IT IN THE
FIRST ACT!

THANKS,
MR. LARRY!

SO BE ON YOUR
GUARD! THE MAN'S
COMPLETELY
SWEEP AWAY
BY JEALOUSY
AND BITTER-
NESS!

THANKS
HANGMAN,
BUT I'M
SURE I'LL
BE ALL RIGHT!

THE
HANGMAN!

YES, JOHN!
WANT TO WARN
YOU THAT PAGINI
HAS THREATENED
YOUR LIFE!

I'LL JUST SPRAY MY
THROAT BEFORE I GO
DOWN FOR THE THIRD
ACT!

ARRRRHHH!
MY THROAT!

GREAT SCOTT...
UNDER MY VERY EYES,
TOO! WHAT WAS IN
THAT ATOMIZER?

SUBTLETY

JEHOSOPHAT!
THERE'S ENOUGH
BENZOL NE IN HERE
TO KICK OUT THE
SUN! IF A BATTLE
WAS FIGHTED HERE
IT WOULD BE THAT,
IF HE CAN'T
SING THE
PART, NO ONE ELSE
WILL!

WHACK

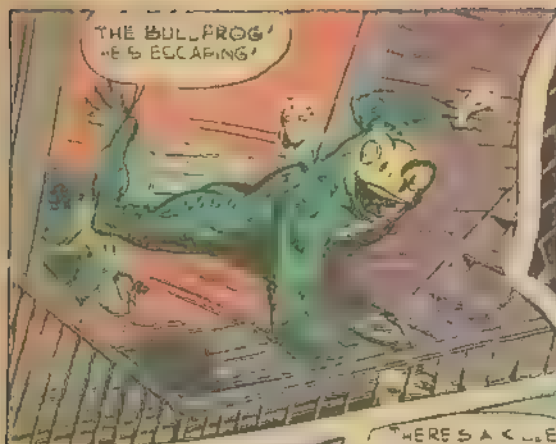
IN AN INSTANT
THE BULLFROG
JUMPED UPON THE
HANGMAN,
BATTLING WITH
THE FURY OF
THE DAMNED

THE DOOR
OPENS AND

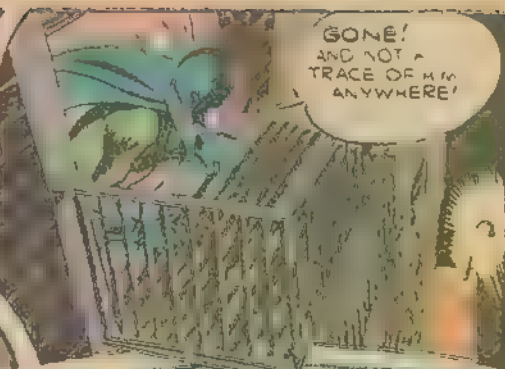
THIS WILL KEEP
YOUR NOSE OUT OF
MY BUSINESS!

GOOD GR EF!
A HUGE
BULLFROG!

NO MR CLARK! TWO
BULLFROGS! JUST
WAIT UNTIL YOU HEAR
YOUR PRECIOUS UNDER-
S LOY TRY TO SING
AGAIN, HA HA!



THE BULLFROG!
HE'S ESCAPING!



GONE!
AND NOT A
TRACE OF HIM
ANYWHERE!

AFTER THAT NIGHT AT
THE MAS OFFICE

WAS ALMOST
FINISHED WITH
THE REVIEW
OF TONIGHT'S
OPERA!



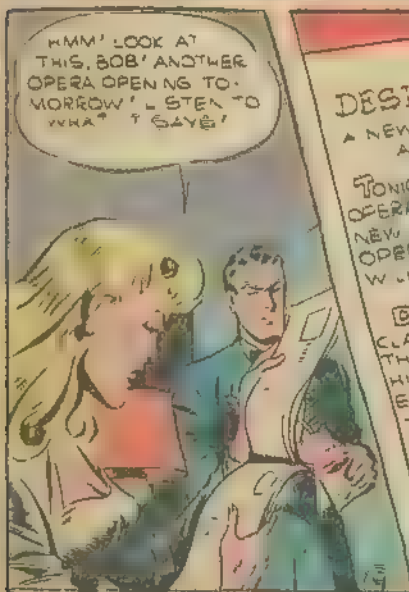
THERE'S A KILLER
LOOSE IN THE CITY
AND DON'T KNOW
WHERE HE...
STRIKE NEXT



AM READY TO PICK
UP YOUR REVIEW
MISS GORDON WANTS
TO CHECK OVER THESE
SALLY PROOFS?



HMM! LOOK AT
THIS, BOB! ANOTHER
OPERA OPENING TO
MORROW! - STEEN TO
VIVA! - T SAYE!



DESI LESCO

A NEW OPERA STAR
APPEARS

TONIGHT AT THE CITY
OPERA HOUSE THE
NEW SOUTH AMERICAN
OPERA - THE SWAMP
WILL BE PRESENTED

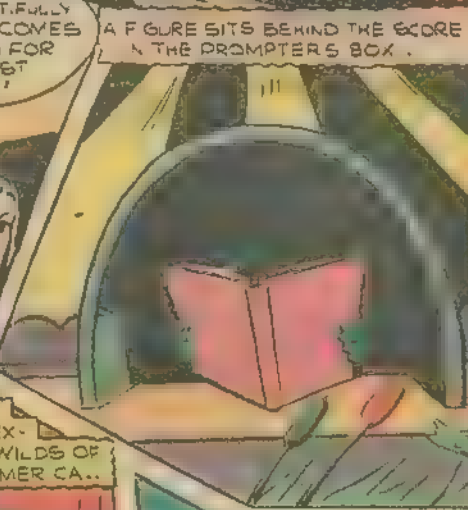
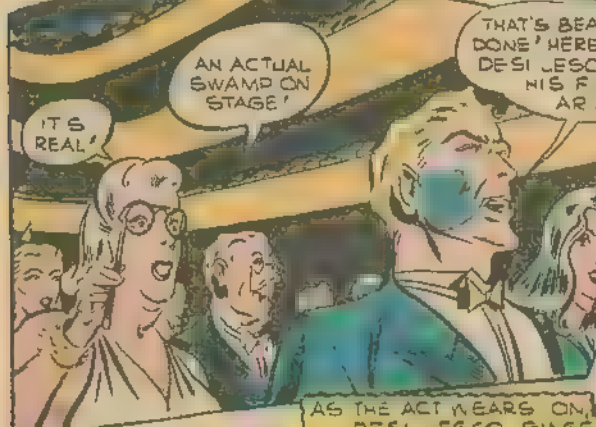
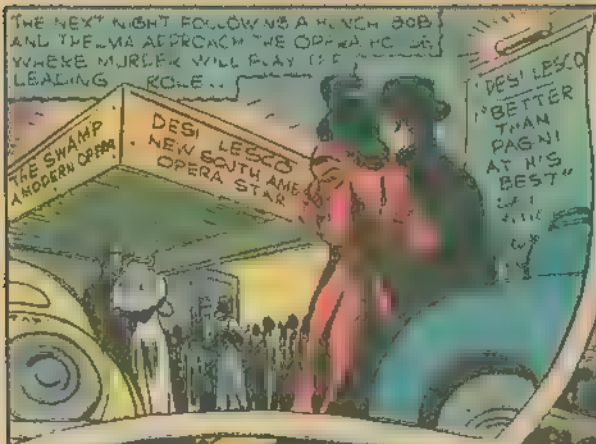
DESI LESCO, AC
CLAIMED AS "BETTER
THAN PAGINI AT
HIS BEST" BY
EUROPEAN CRITICS,
- WILL MAKE HIS
AMERICAN DEBUT.

A NEW OPERA



"BETTER THAN PAGINI"
EH? I KNOW ONE MAN
WHO WILL BITTERLY
RESENT THAT THE
BULLFROG!





THEN AS LEGGO
WILES IN THE
SWAMP..

GO! YOU AT LAST!

BETTER THAN
PAGN., ARE YOU?
LET'S HEAR YOU
SING UNDER
WATER!

YOUR
NUMBERS UP
BULLFROG!

IF IT IS -
YOU DIDN'T
COUNT ON THIS -
DID YOU?

I KNOW THIS
THEATRE LIKE A
BOOK: HE CAN'T
CATCH ME NOW!

COME ON
UP HANGMAN!
I'VE A LITTLE
SURPRISE
FOR YOU!

WITH FEROCIOUS SPEED, THE
SPOTLIGHT COMES CRASHING
DOWN! DESPERATELY THE
HANGMAN THROWS HIS
BODY OUT OF ITS PATH...

JUST A
LITTLE CLOSER
HANGMAN - AND

WHEW!
MISSED ME
BY INCHES!

AS THE BULLFROG RUNS
TO THE FAR CAT-WALK, THE
HANGMAN IS AFTER HIM
IN A FLASH...

WELL, WELL!
LOOK AT THE
AIR-MAIL THE
POSTMAN
BROUGHT!

THIS IS MY
SPECIAL DELIVERY
STAMP - LIKE IT?

OW!

DON'T GO,
BULLFROG!
HERE'S SOME
POSTAGE DUE
FOR YOU!

KNOCKED OFF
BALANCE HE
BULLFROG
PLUNGES...
DOWN DOWN

A CRUNCHING IMPACT AND THE
NECK IS BROKEN

THE CURTAIN
DESCENDS

BREATH
THE MOST
EXCITING
OPERA, I'VE
SEEN IN
YEARS!

WHY-IT'S
FASINI!
BUT-WHY?

HE COULDN'T
BEAR KNOWING
ANYONE WAS TAKING
HIS PLACE! HIS INSANE
JEALOUSY LED TO
MURDER... AND
MURDER LED
TO HIS OWN
DOOM!

AS IF TO MOCK
FASINI A
SMALL BULL-
FROG LEAPS
OUT OF THE
SWAMP...

THE HANGMAN'S
NOOSE IS A SYMBOL
OF FATE FOR THE
EVIL-DOERS...
DEATH MAY STRIKE
IN A SWAMP IN AN
ALLEY - ANYWHERE...
BUT ALL CRIMINALS
CAST A SHADOW
BEFORE THEM...
THE NEVITABLE
SHADOW OF THE
GALLIES!

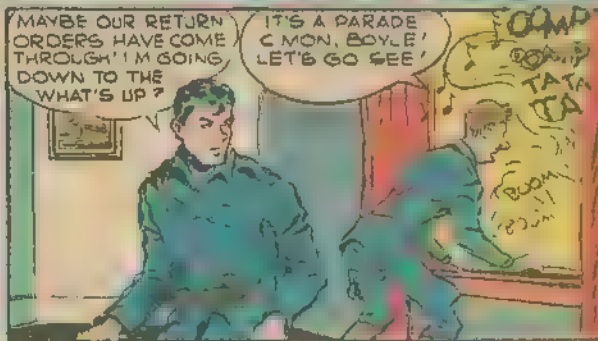
ANOTHER EXCITING
HANGMAN
ADVENTURE IN THE
NEXT ISSUE OF
PEP COMICS!

AND IT'S CROAKING ON
THE DEAD SINGER'S
CHEST...

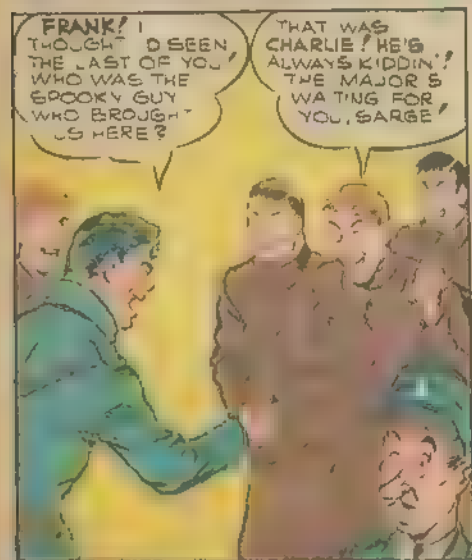
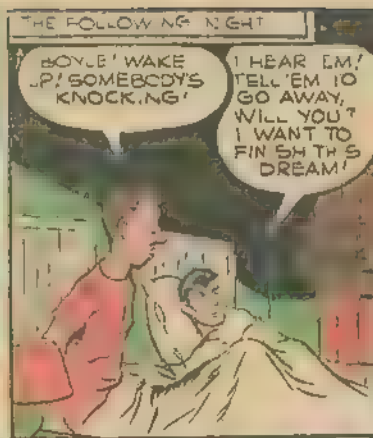
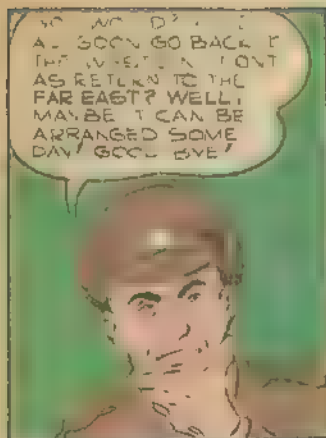
SERGEANT BOYLE

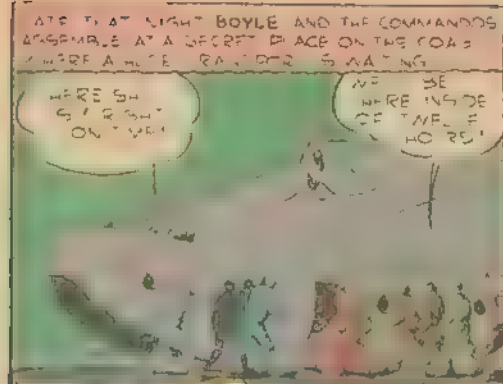
FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY LETTERS ARE POURING IN, TELLING OF HOW YOU FELLOWS HAVE BEEN HELPING MAKE THE COUNTRY WAR BOND AND WAR STAMP CONSCIOUS. YOUR LETTER OR CARD MAY WIN THE BIG, ORIGINAL, COLORED DRAWING OF BOYLE OR TWERP DRAWN FROM LIFE WHILE THEY WERE IN NEW YORK!

SERGEANT BOYLE, WHEN LAST INTERVIEWED, SAID, "AS LONG AS THIS WAR LASTS, I'LL KEEP ON FIGHTING AND I'LL RESPECT THE ORDERS OF MY SUPERIORS. EVEN TWERP BUT IF I EVER LET MYSELF BE TALKED INTO ANOTHER FURLOUGH I'LL HAVE MY HEAD EXAMINED!"





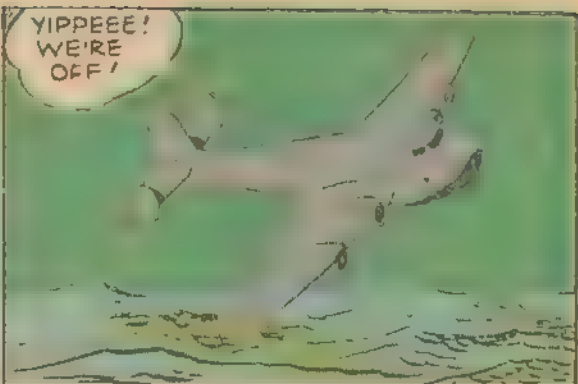




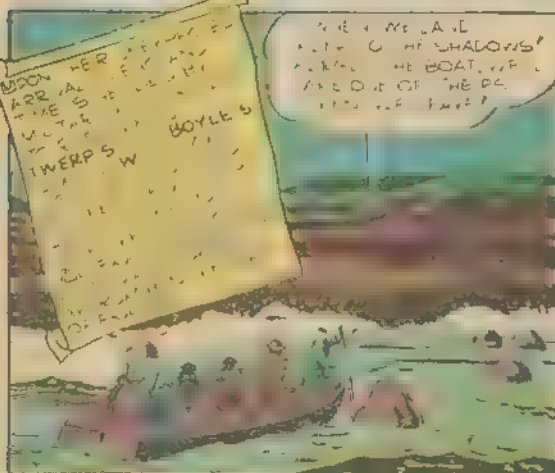
AT 11 THAT NIGHT BOYLE AND THE COMMANDOS
ASSEMBLED AT A SECRET PLACE ON THE COAST
WHERE A HIDE-BOAT WAS WAITING

WE'RE SH
CIRCUIT
ON THE

NO BE
HERE INSIDE
OF THE SE
HORSE!



YIPPEEE!
WE'RE
OFF!



BOON HER
ARRIAL
THE S
ULTR
TWERPS W
BOYLE'S

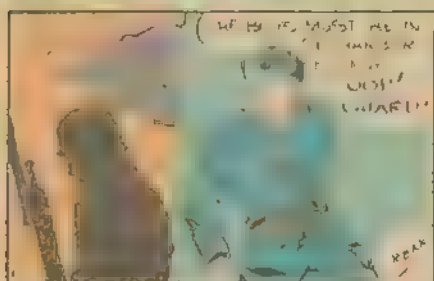
WE'VE LAIL
ALL O THE CHALOWS
HE BOAT, WE
FLED OF THE DE
THE DE FURT



THERE'S THE
SUBMARINE BASE
AFTER WE GET TO
THE TOWN MAJOR
WHAT'S NEXT?

WE TAKE PERSONAL
CHARGE OF PLANTING
THE WINGS IN THE HAR
BOR! BOYLE WANTS
YOU TO PICK S
MEN AND KEEP US
COVERED FROM
THE TOWN!

LE'S
GO!



WE'VE LAIL
ALL O THE CHALOWS
HE BOAT, WE
FLED OF THE DE
THE DE FURT



VOT VAS
DOT! WHO
GOD'S DERE?

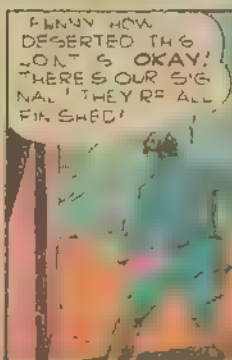


ONLY ME!

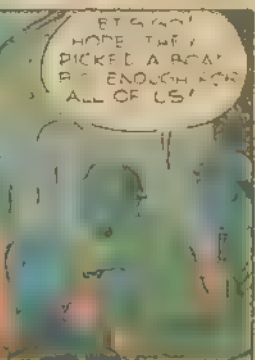


EVER BODY SPEAK
OUT! DON'T LET ANY
SAUBERKRAUTS GET
NEAR THE HARBOR
BUT DON'T
USE YOUR
GUNS!

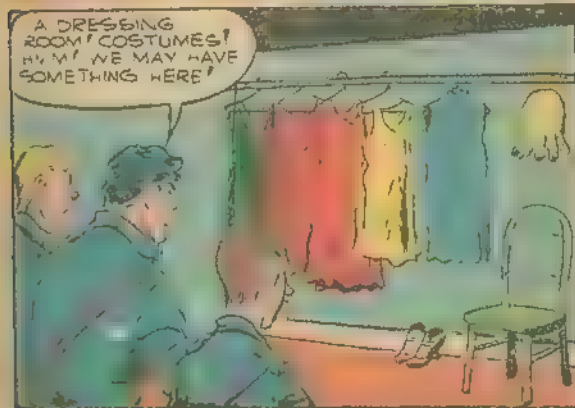
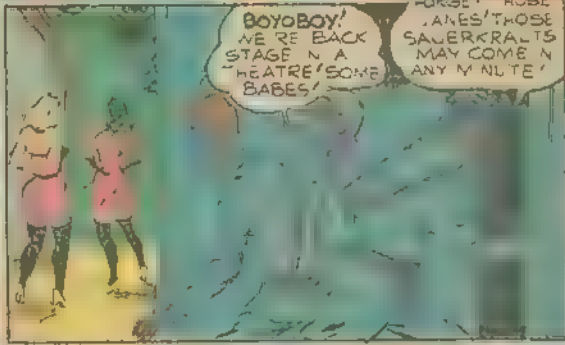
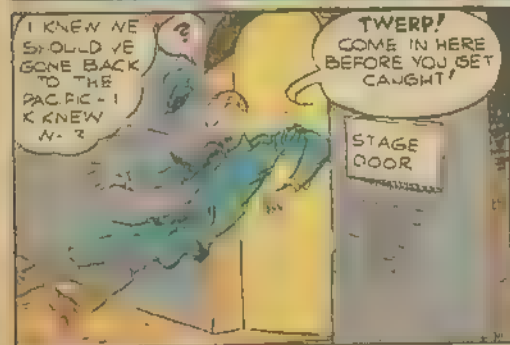
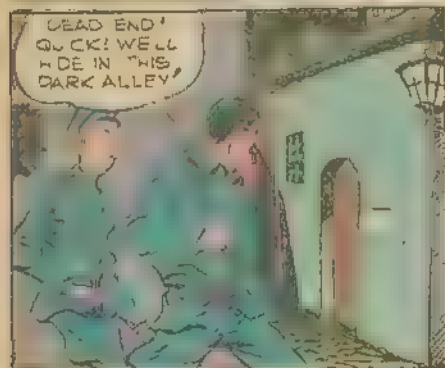
AND WHEN WE
GET THE SIGNAL WE
RUN FOR THE HARBOR

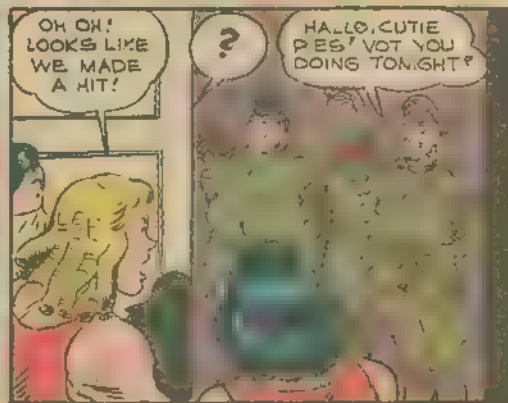
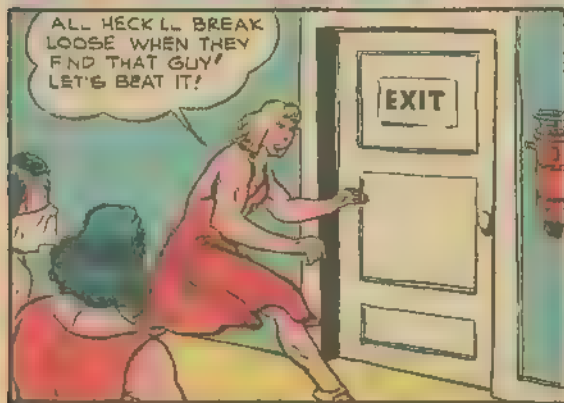
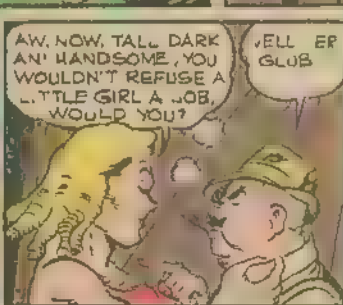


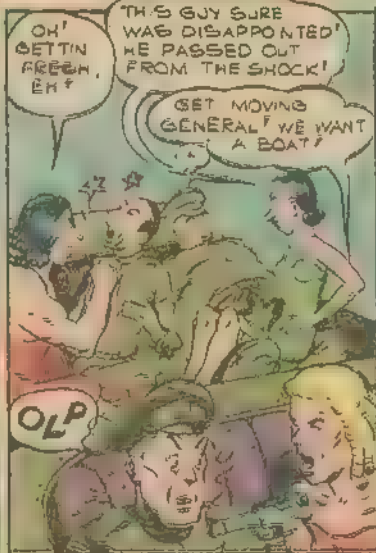
FUNNY HOW
DESERTED THIS
WON'T BE OKAY!
THERE'S OUR SIG
NAL! THEY'RE ALL
FINISHED!



ET GARD!
HOPE THEY
PICKED A BOAT
BIG ENOUGH FOR
ALL OF US!



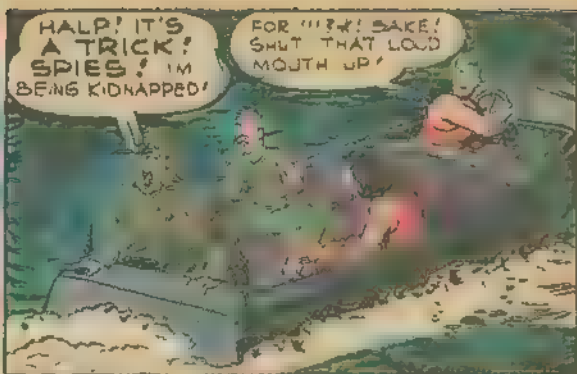






HERE COME
A COUPLE OF
HEINE SALORS
SARGE!

HURRY UP!
CAST OFF
AND HOP N!



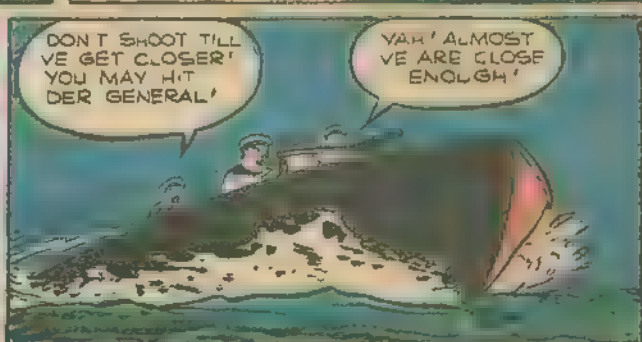
HALP! IT'S
A TRICK!
SPIES! IM
BEING KIDNAPPED!

FOR THE SAKE!
SHUT THAT LOUD
MOUTH UP!



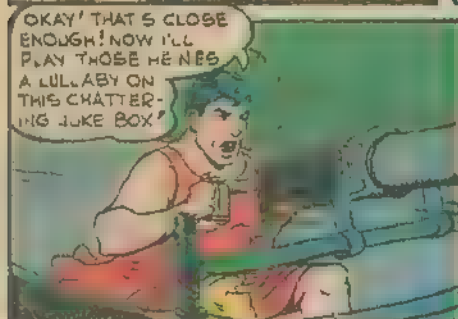
SPIES?

UND DEY HAPPE OUR
GENERAL! GET
QUICK ANUDDER
BOAT!



DONT SHOOT TILL
VE GET CLOSER!
YOU MAY HIT
DER GENERAL!

YAH! ALMOST
VE ARE CLOSE
ENOUGH!



OKAY! THAT'S CLOSE
ENOUGH! NOW I'LL
PLAY THOSE HEINES
A LULLABY ON
THIS CHATTER-
ING JUKE BOX!



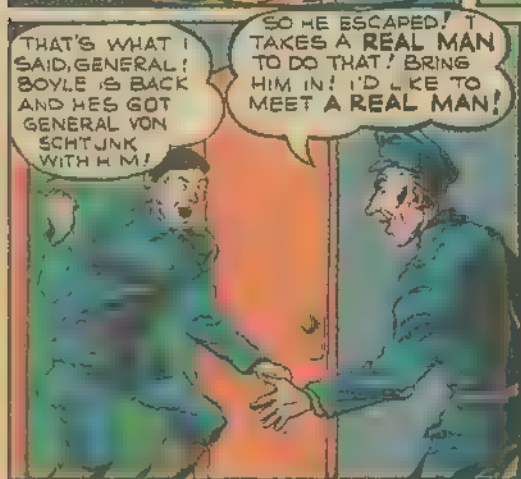
NICE GOIN
SARGE! LET'S
GET BACK TO
OUR BASE!



LATER, AT THE COMMANDO BASE

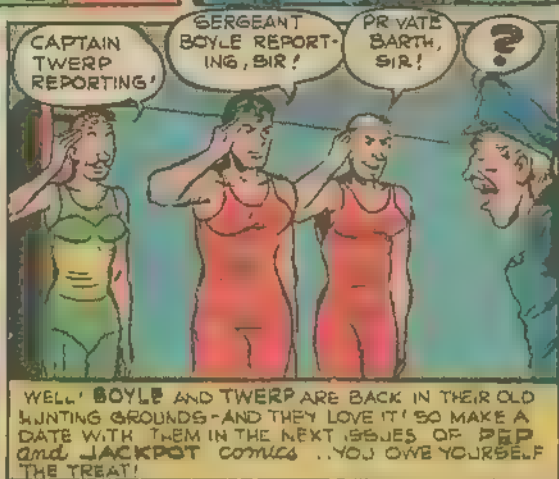
SIXTHREE OF
OUR MEN FAILED
TO RETURN!

YES SIR,
OTHERWISE,
THE EXPEDITION
WAS A COMPLETE
SUCCESS!



THAT'S WHAT I
SAID, GENERAL!
BOYLE IS BACK
AND HES GOT
GENERAL VON
SCHTUNK
WITH HIM!

SO HE ESCAPED! IT
TAKES A REAL MAN
TO DO THAT! BRING
HIM IN! I'D LIKE TO
MEET A REAL MAN!



CAPTAIN
TWERP
REPORTING!

SERGEANT
BOYLE REPORT-
ING, SIR!

PRIVATE
BARTH,
SIR!

?

WELL, BOYLE AND TWERP ARE BACK IN THEIR OLD
HUNTING GROUNDS-AND THEY LOVE IT! SO MAKE A
DATE WITH THEM IN THE NEXT ISSUES OF PEP
and JACKPOT COMICS...YOU OWE YOURSELF
THE TREAT!

Captain COMMANDO

And the Boy Soldiers

THE COMMANDOS ARE COMING!

WHEN THE LIGHTS OF EUROPE ARE
ONCE AGAIN KINDLED WHEN THE
DIGNITY THAT IS IN MAN'S SOUL AND
THE WARMTH IN HIS HEART AGAIN
FINDS FREE EXPRESSION, AND THE
BLOOD AND SWEAT AND TEARS HAVE
PURCHASED GLORIOUS FREEDOM...
THEN, AND NOT BEFORE, WILL THE
COMMANDOS STOP COMING. THEN
AND ONLY THEN WILL CAPTAIN
COMMANDO AND HIS BOY
SOLDIERS CONSIDER THEIR
WORK DONE.

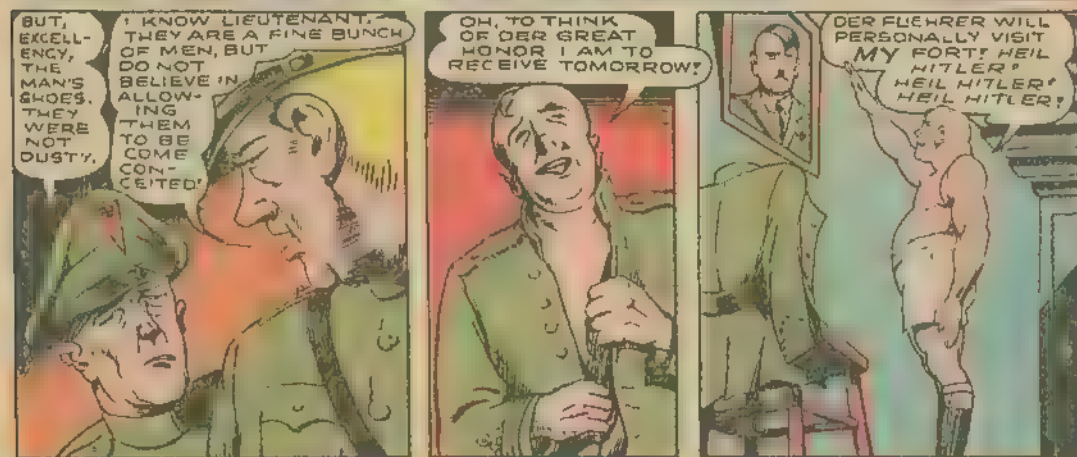
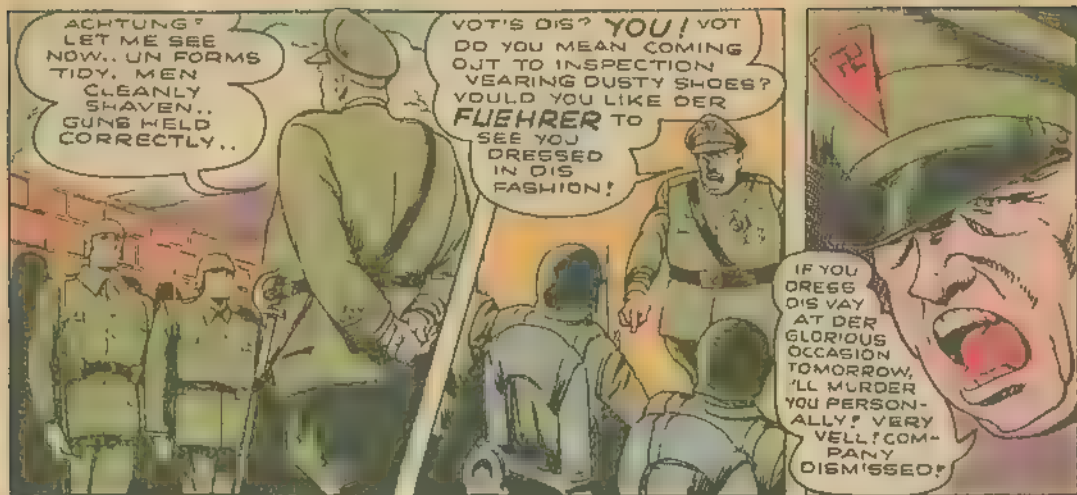
AT A NAZI COASTAL FORT SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE...

DER MEN
ARE READY
FOR INSPECTION,
EXCELLENCY!

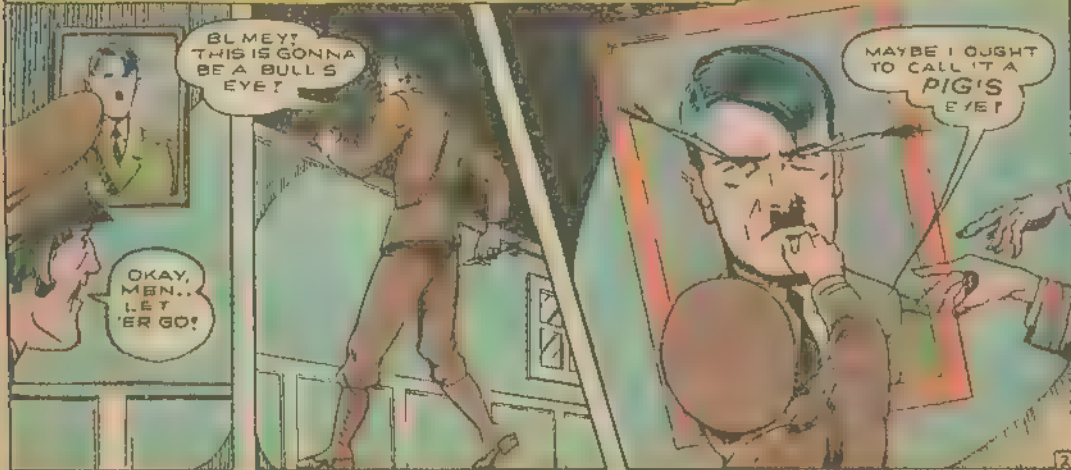
GOOT!
I'LL
REVIEW
DEM AT
ONCE!

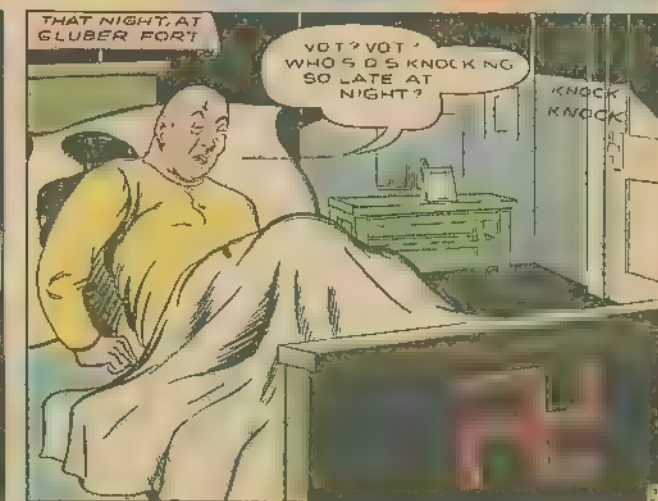
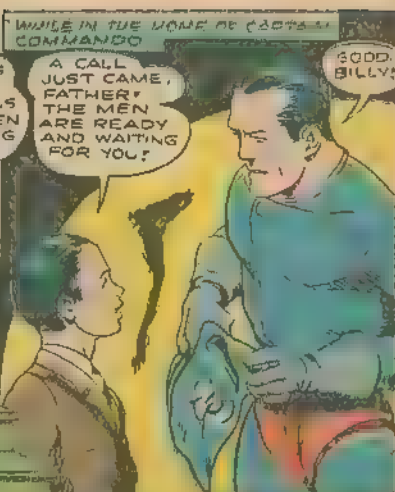
DERE, EXCELLENCY, ARE OUR
MACHINE GUN TURRETS...
ALWAYS READY TO REPEL
ATTACKS. UND VE HAF A
VERY EFFICIENT GROUP OF
MEN OPERATING DER GUNS!

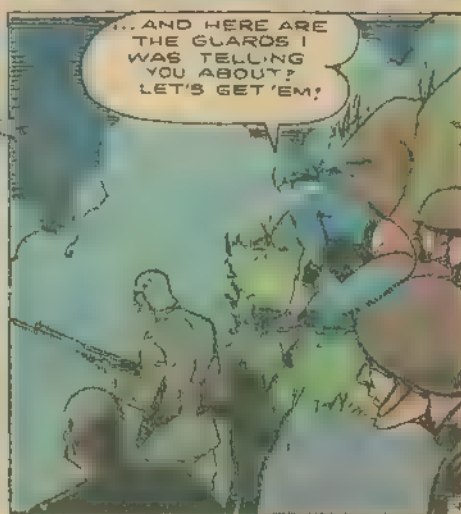
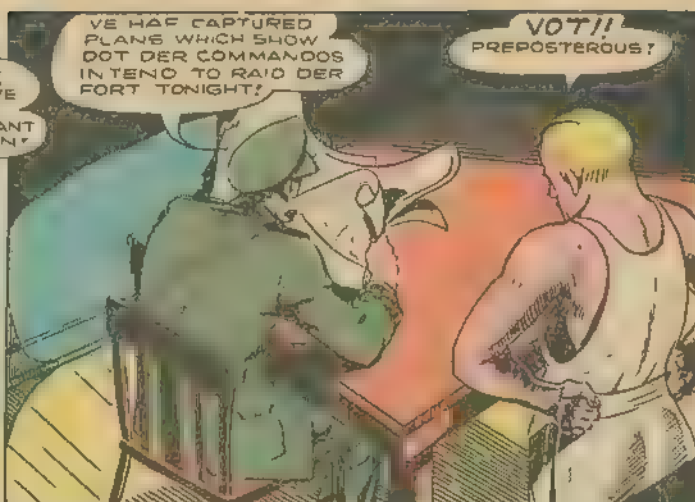
WMM...
VE
SHALL
SEE!



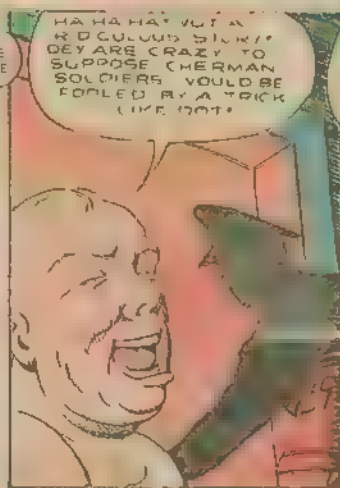
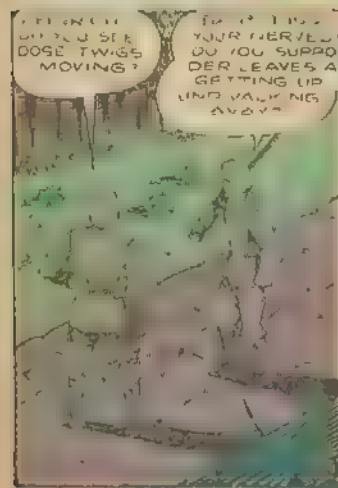
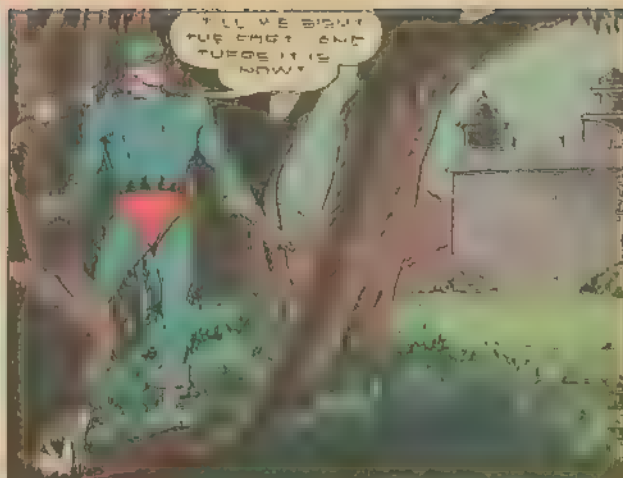
AND AT THAT MOMENT, A GROUP OF MEN IN ENGLAND, THE COMMANDOS, ARE ALSO BUSY WITH A PICTURE OF ADOLF, ... BUT FOR ANOTHER REASON...











INTEND TO FIND ONE OF THOSE BIG
POPLED TREES WHICH SURROUND THE
FORT. AND..

ATTA BOY,
BILLY! STOP
JUST BEFORE
THE FINAL
BRANCH!

P66T THERE'S A GLARD ALL
RIGHT, AND HE'S COMING
TOWARD THE WALL.

GOOD! LET'S HAVE
SOME OF THE
SLACK FROM THE
ROPE, AND KEEP
HIDDEN BEHIND
THE LEAVES!

HERE GOES!
BOY, IF I
EVER
MISS

GOT HIM,
CAPTAIN
COMMANDO!

GOOD
WORK!
PULL,
MEN,
PULL!

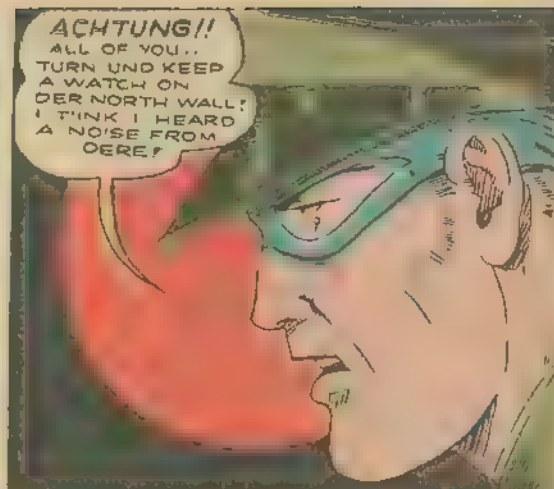
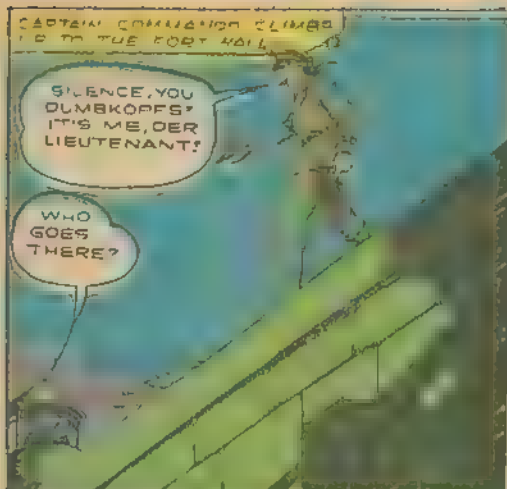
AAAAA!
MY NECK
IS BREAKING!

OKAY,
CAPTAIN,
HE'S ALL
YOURS!

OKAY, BOYS,
I'LL PUT THE
NEXT SCHEME
INTO ACT ON!
KEEP READY
TO SWING INTO
IT!

HURRY
DOWN BILLY!
WE'VE GOT
TO GET
FAST!







PHW! VE GURE
GOT DRESSED QUICK!
I SUPPOSE DER
FLEHRER HAS
ARRIVED!

VERE IS DER
FLEHRER? I
HAVE LONG
VANTED TO HAF
A LOOK AT HIS
BEAUTIFUL FACE!
HE ISS SO HAND
SOME IN HIS
PICTURES!

AND, AT THE COMMAND-
ER'S OFFICE..



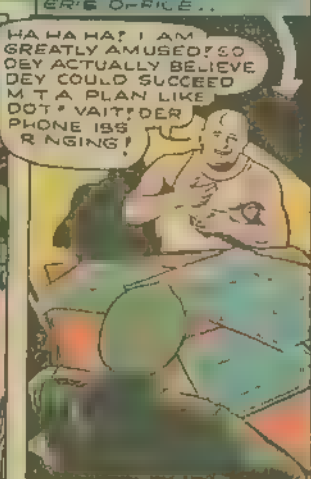
VERE IS EFERYBODY?
VOT ISS ALL OIS?

I CANT
UNDER-
STAND IT
EITHER!

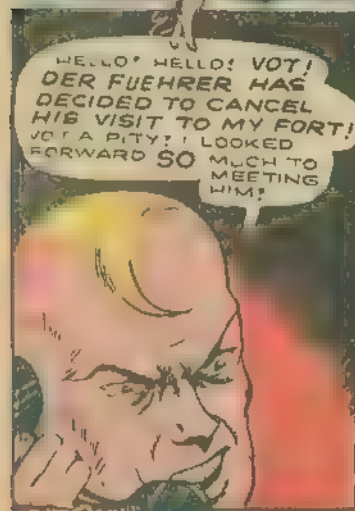


HERE WE
ARE, BLOKES!
START REMOV-
ING YOUR
CLOTHES..
EVERY ONE
OF YOU!

WE'RE TAK'N
'EM BACK AS
TROPHIES!



HA HA HA! I AM
GREATLY AMUSED! SO
DEY ACTUALLY BELIEVE
DEY COULD SUCCEED
WIT A PLAN LIKE
DOT VAIT! DER
PHONE ISS
R NGING!



WELLO! HELLO! VOT!
DER FUEHRER HAS
DECIDED TO CANCEL
HIS VISIT TO MY FORT!
VOT A PITY! I LOOKED
FORWARD SO MUCH TO
MEETING
HIM!

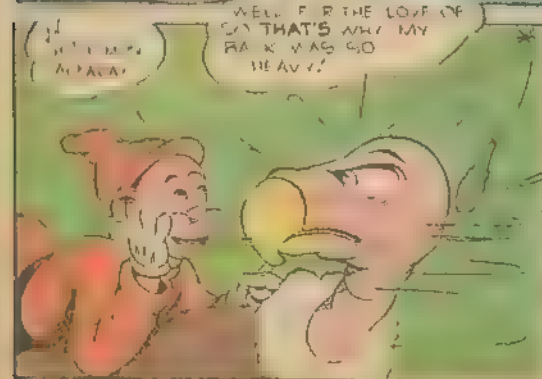
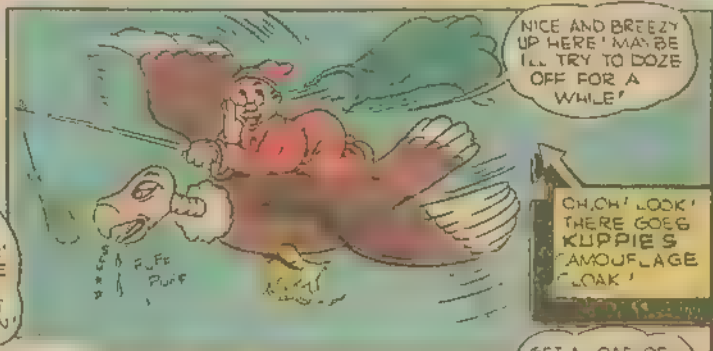
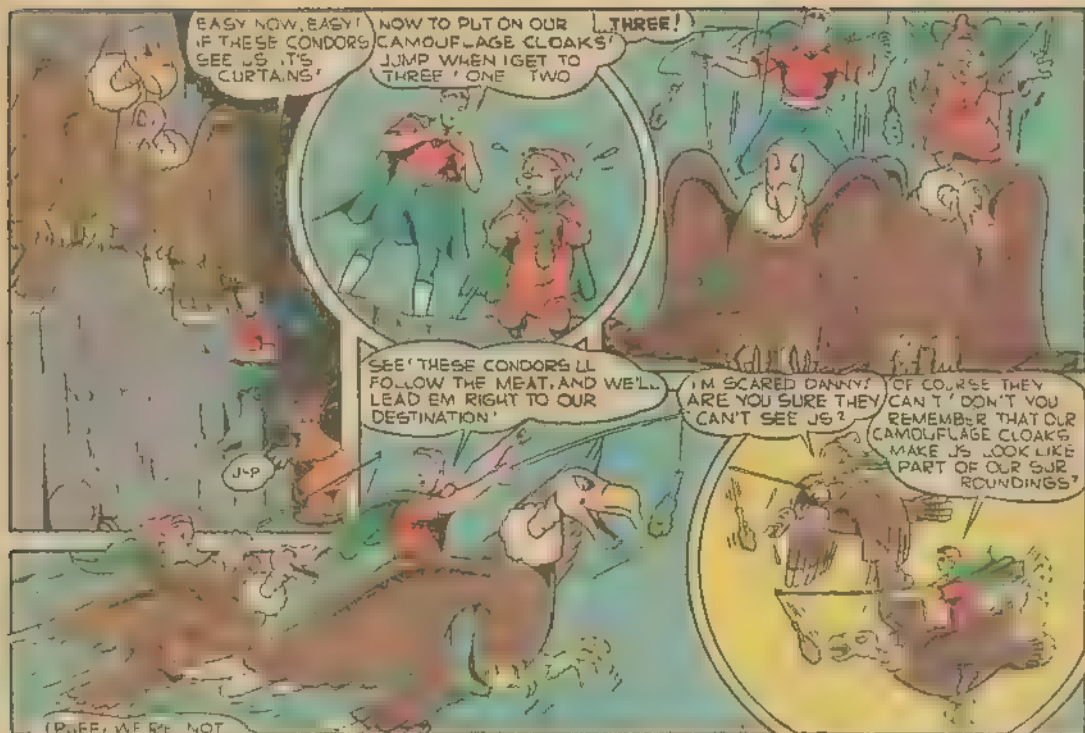


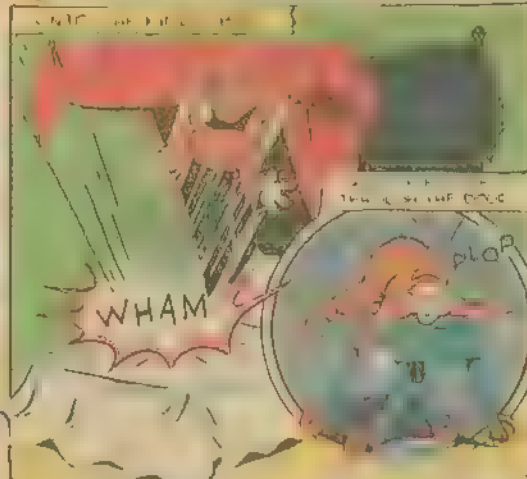
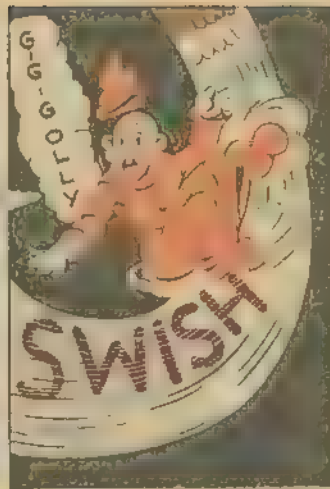
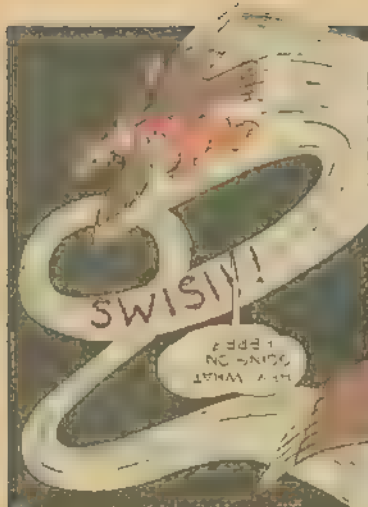
DOT VAS DER
GESTAPO HEADQUARTERS
CALLING..DEY INFORMED
ME DOT DER
FUEHRER IS
NOT COMING!

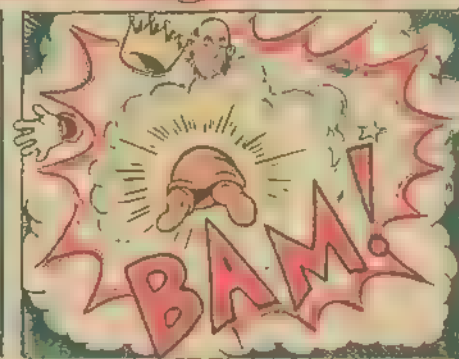
TOO
BAD!

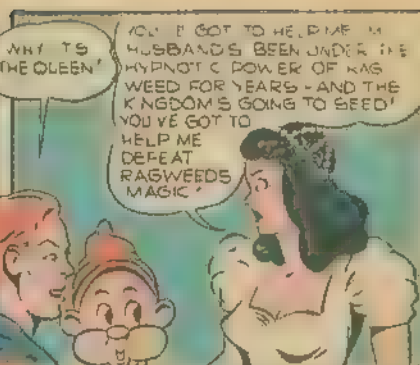
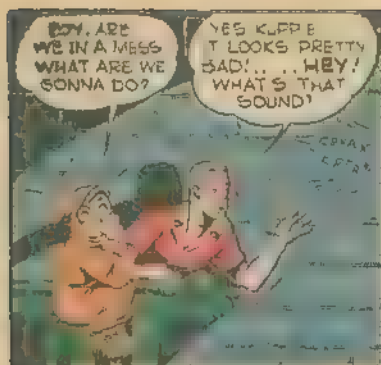


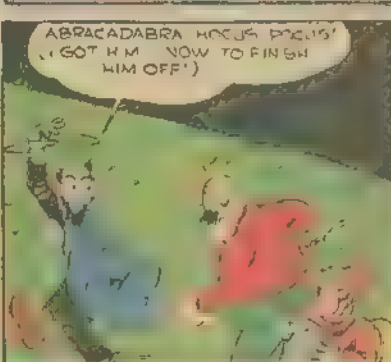
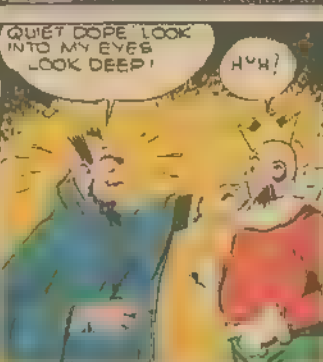
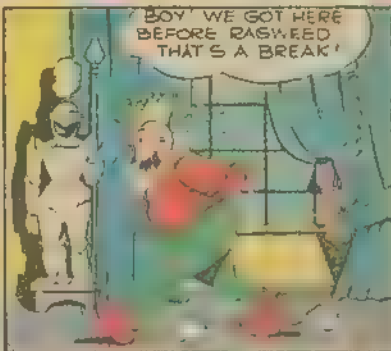
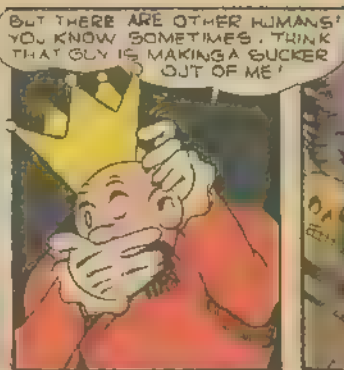
HEW HEH! IT COULD BE
VORSE! MAYBE IF DER
FLEHRER HAD COME,
DER COMMANDOS
WOULD CAPTURE
HIM TOO?
GOOD JOKE,
NO??











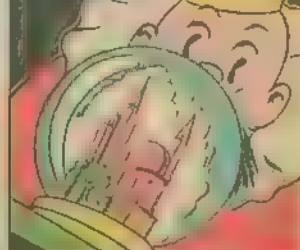
WE JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT RAGWEED'S BEEN USING YOU AS HIS TOOL KING. HE KEPT HYPNOTIZING YOU AND YOU WERE SO BUSY DOING THINGS FOR HIM THAT YOUR KING DOM HAS FALLEN FAR BEHIND THE PROGRESS OF OTHER NATIONS.

SURE THERE ARE! WAIT! NOW THAT RAGWEED'S IN OUR POWER, I'LL PROVE IT TO YOU!

FOCUS ON SOME OTHER NATIONS, RAGWEED!

WELL, I'LL BE DOGGONED!

OTHER NATIONS' BUT THERE ARE NO OTHER NATIONS!



YOU, FELLOWS HAVE SURE OPENED MY EYES. I'LL CATCH UP WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD YOU JUST WATCH ME!

AND SO SOME DAYS LATER THEY RETURN TO THE LAND OF TIME

WELL WELL! LOOK WHO'S HERE!

WE'VE SUCCEEDED IN OUR MISSION AND NOW YOU'VE GOT TO LIVE UP TO YOUR PART OF THE BARGAIN!

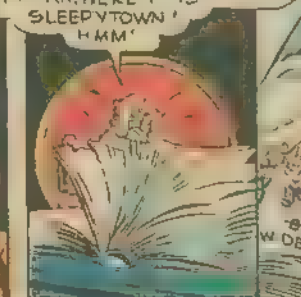
YEAH YOU SAID THAT IF WE FINEED UP SLEEPY TOWN YOU'D BRING SNAPPER BACK TO LEE. REMEMBER?



ALL RIGHT BOYS, JUST A MOMENT WHILE CHECK UP!

LET'S SEE NOW - FAIRV LLE - SOBLINBURG - BROOKLYN - ELF CITY - AH, HERE IT IS - SLEEPYTOWN! HMM!

5 YRS AHEAD OF TIME

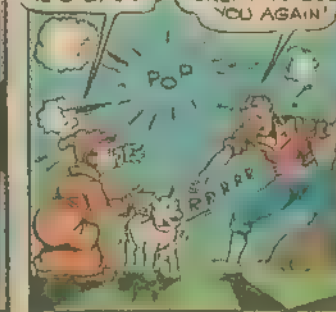


YOU WIN BOYS! GET SET! I'GONNA TURN THE CLOCK BACK!

HE'S BACK, JANNY! HE'S BACK!

GEE BUT IT'S GREAT TO SEE YOU AGAIN!

HEY GANG, DON'T MISS DANNY'S ADVENTURES IN NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE OF



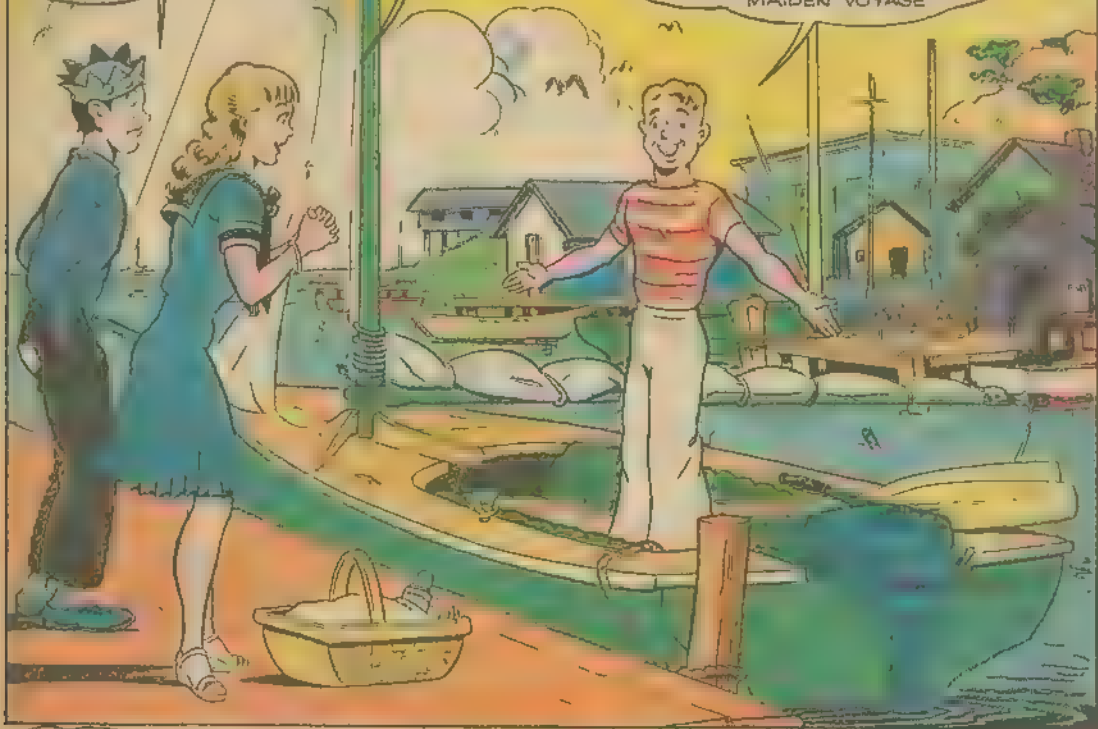
Archie

by
Montana

HUH! SO THIS IS
THE BOAT YOU BUILT,
ARCHIE. THE WAY
YOU'VE BEEN RAVIN'
ABOUT IT I EXPECTED
AT LEAST AN AIR
PLANE CARRIER!

OH, ARCHIE!
I THINK IT'S
GRAND! WHAT
EVER MADE
YOU THINK
OF IT?

COULDN'T GET ANY GAS FOR MY
JALOPY SO I DECIDED TO DO MY
TRAVELING BY SAILBOAT BETTY!
ATTACHED AN AUXILIARY OUTBOARD
MOTOR JUST AS AN EMERGENCY!
STEP ABOARD FOLKS WE'RE ABOUT
TO SAIL THE "BETTY C" ON HER
MAIDEN VOYAGE!



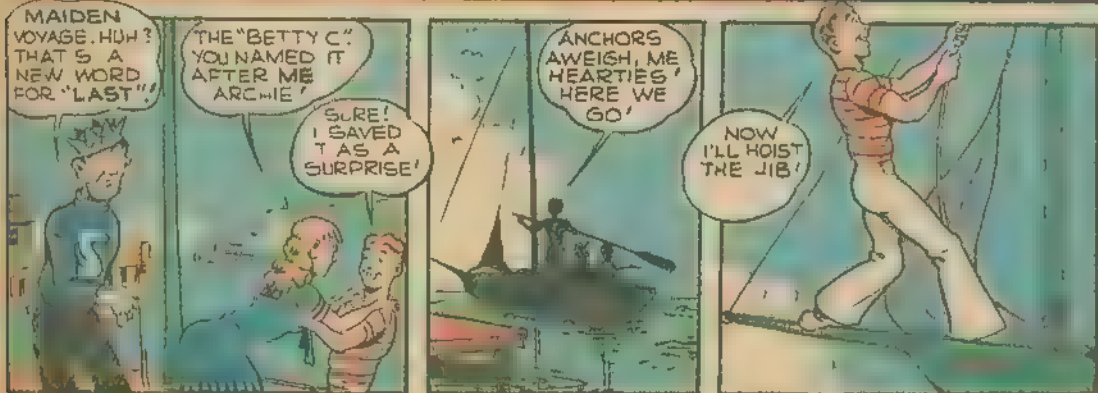
MAIDEN
VOYAGE, HUH?
THAT'S A
NEW WORD
FOR "LAST"!

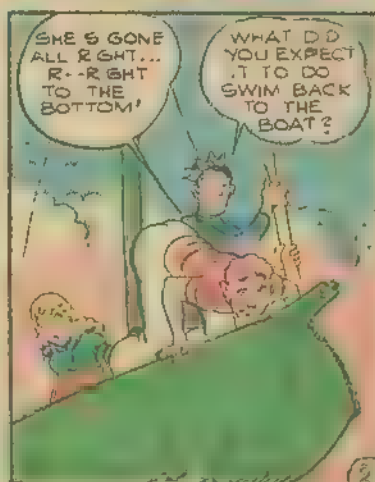
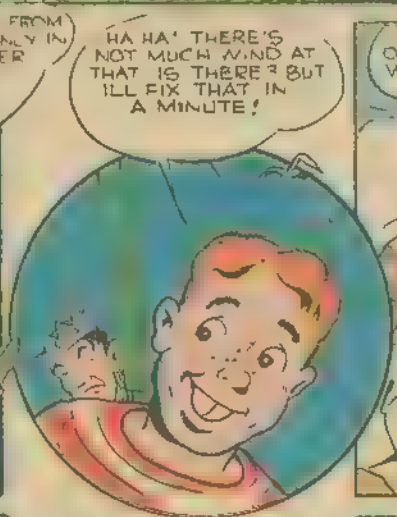
THE "BETTY C"
YOU NAMED IT
AFTER ME,
ARCHIE!

SURE!
I SAVED
IT AS A
SURPRISE!

ANCHORS
AWEIGH, ME
HEARTIES!
HERE WE
GO!

NOW
I'LL HOIST
THE JIB!



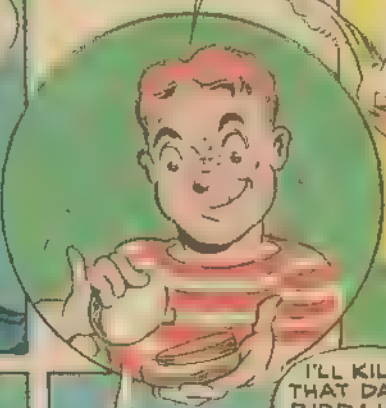




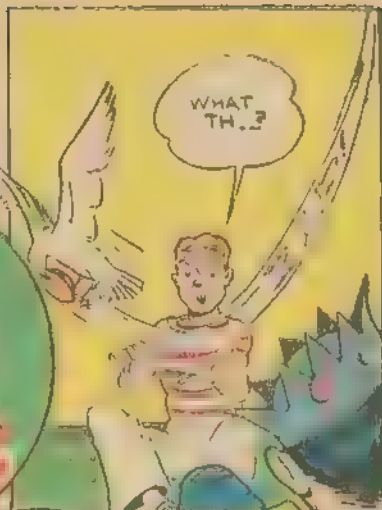
HEY! NO WIND
ANYWAY WHY
DON'T WE EAT
WHILE WE'RE
WAITING FOR
IT?

THAT'S ALL YOU
EVER THINK OF
BUT IT'S
A GOOD IDEA!

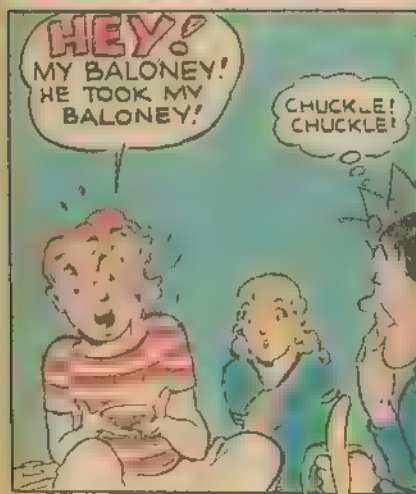
HERE'S A
SANDWICH,
ARCHIE!



HOT DIGGITY!
MY FAVORITE
FRUIT BALONEY
ON BUNS!

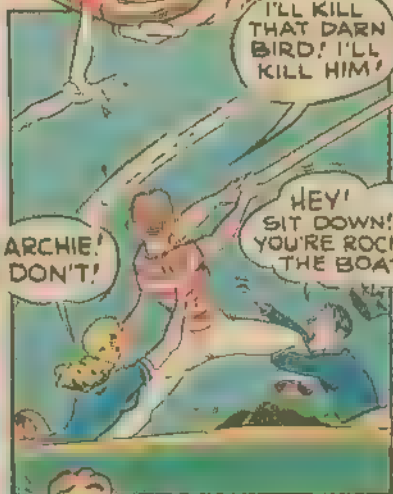


WHAT
TH...?



HEY!
MY BALONEY!
HE TOOK MY
BALONEY!

CHUCKLE!
CHUCKLE!



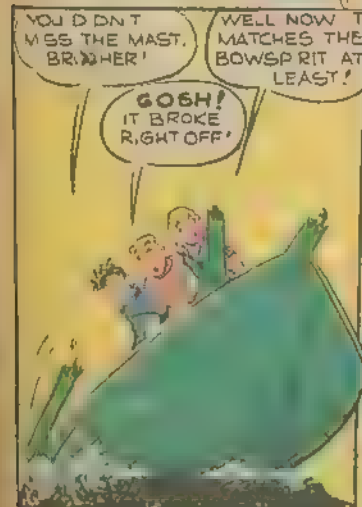
ARCHIE!
DON'T!

I'LL KILL
THAT DARN
BIRD! I'LL
KILL HIM!

HEY!
SIT DOWN!
YOU'RE ROCKIN'
THE BOAT!



UGH!
I MISSED!



YOU DIDN'T
MISS THE MAST,
BRIDGER!

WELL NOW IT
MATCHES THE
BOWSPRIT AT
LEAST!

GOSH!
IT BROKE
RIGHT OFF!

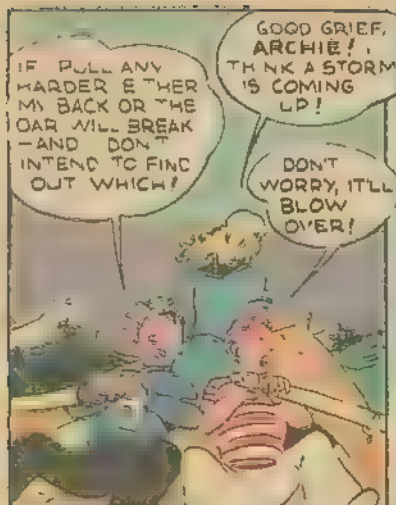


NICE GOIN', ADMIRAL!
NOW IF YOU CAN FIGURE
OUT HOW TO LOSE THE
OARS WE WILL
BE STUCK!



JUGHEAD! WILL
YOU PLEASE PULL AS
HARD AS I DO OR WE'LL
BE GOING IN CIRCLES!
UGH!

OH, ARCHIE!
HOW DO YOU
DO THESE
THINGS!



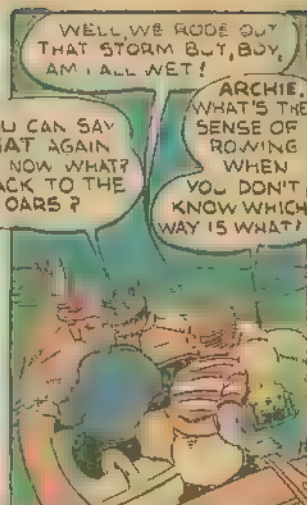
IF PULL ANY HARDER E'HER MY BACK OR THE OAR WILL BREAK -AND DON'T INTEND TO FIND OUT WHICH!

GOOD GRIEF, ARCHIE! I THINK A STORM IS COMING UP!

DON'T WORRY, IT'LL BLOW OVER!



YEAH! IT'LL BLOW OVER!



WELL, WE RODE OUT THAT STORM BUT, BOY, AM I ALL WET!

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN NOW WHAT? BACK TO THE OARS?

ARCHIE, WHAT'S THE SENSE OF ROWING WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHICH WAY IS WHAT!



OBOY! LOOK! LAND!

HURRAY! WE'RE SAVED!



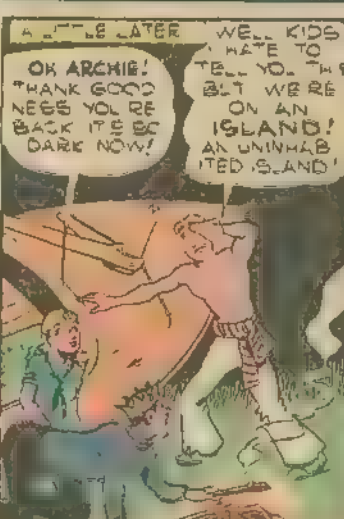
OOO- ARCHIE MAYBE T'ERE SOME UNCHARTED LAND 'N' THE SOUTH-SEA!

BETTY! WE'RE STILL IN THE ATLANTIC!

THNK IT'S SAFE TO LAND!

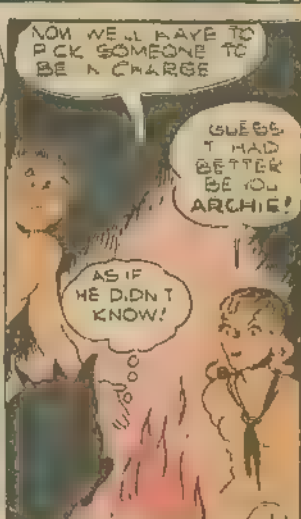


I DON'T SEE ANY NATIVES RUNNING OUT! YOU'D BETTER TRY TO DRY OUT JUS' WHILE YOU LOOK AROUND!



OK ARCHIE! THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE BACK IT'S GETTING DARK NOW!

A LITTLE LATER, WE'LL KIDS, I HATE TO TELL YOU THE BUT WE'RE ON AN ISLAND! AN UNINHABITED ISLAND!



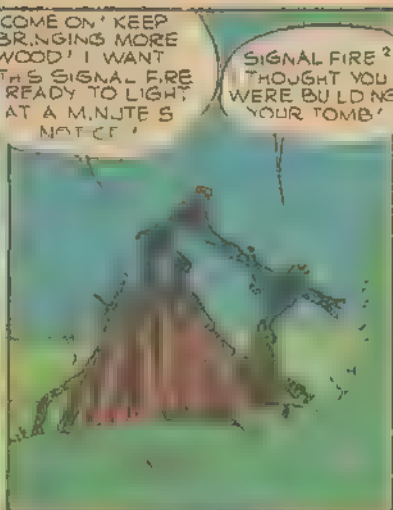
NOW WE'LL HAVE TO PICK SOMEONE TO BE IN CHARGE

GUESS I HAD BETTER BE YOU ARCHIE!

AS IF HE DIDN'T KNOW!



THAT'S IT! WE'VE GOT
TO GET THIS SAIL
STRETCHED OUT TO
CATCH THE RAIN FOR
DRINKING WATER!



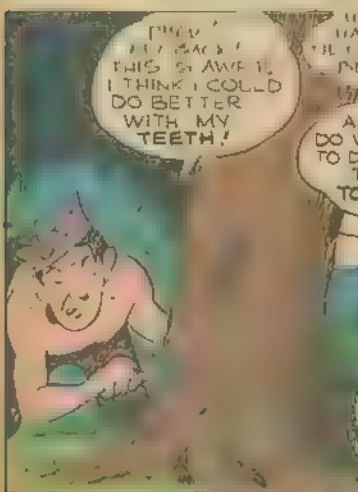
COME ON! KEEP
BRINGING MORE
WOOD! I WANT
THIS SIGNAL FIRE
READY TO LIGHT
AT A MINUTE'S
NOTICE!

SIGNAL FIRE?
I THOUGHT YOU
WERE BUILDING
YOUR TOMB!



(PUFF PUFF)
ARCHIE HAVE
A HEART! ...
THERE'S NOT
ANOTHER
PIECE OF
WOOD LEFT
ANYWHERE

WHADDAYA
MEAN?
WITH ALL
THESE TREES
GROWING A-
ROUND! CUT
EM DOWN!
THERE'S TONS
OF WOOD
HERE!

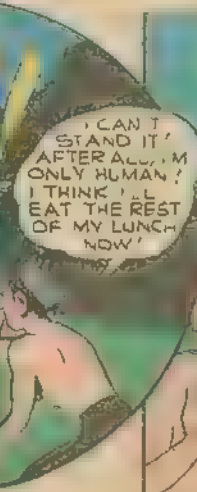


THAT'S
FINE! BUT
THIS IS AWFUL!
I THINK I COULD
DO BETTER
WITH MY
TEETH!



ARCHIE
DO WE HAVE
TO DO EVERY-
THING
TONIGHT?

I'M RUNNING
OUT OF
GRASS!



I CAN'T
STAND IT!
AFTER ALL, I'M
ONLY HUMAN!
I THINK I'LL
EAT THE REST
OF MY LUNCH
NOW!



GIMME THAT
SANDWICH! ARE
YOU CRAZY?
THIS IS
RATIONED!
I'VE GOT IT FIGURED
SO WE CAN
LAST 30 DAYS
ON IT, WITH
WATER!



HERE'S
YOUR RAT ON
FOR TONIGHT!

WHAT!
A COOKIE
AND AN
OLIVE?



OOH, ARCHIE
(SOB SOB) DO
YOU THINK
WE'LL EVER
LIVE TO BE
RESCUED?
(SOB SOB)



THERE, THERE
BETTY! DON'T
CRY! WE'LL
MAKE IT SOME-
HOW! HERE!
YOU CAN HAVE
MY RAT ON! I'M
NOT HUNGRY!
(GULP)



WELL, I GUESS
WE'RE FAR ENOUGH
ALONG TO TURN
IN FOR TONIGHT

O'OOH!
YOU'RE TOO
KIND TO
US, CAPTAIN
BLIGH!

BOY I'M SO TIRED
I COULD SLEEP ANY
WHERE AND UNDER
THIS TREE IS AS
GOOD AS ANY
PLACE 'AH' AT
LAST REST
SWEET, QUIET
REST'

HEY! GET UP!

WHAT'RE YA NUTS LAYING
ON THE GROUND? NO TELL NG
WHAT KIND OF WILD BEAST
IS ROAMING AROUND HERE'

WHY?
OH I
KNEW IT
WAS TOO
GOOD
TO LAST!

FOR THE
FIRST FEW
NIGHTS WE'LL
HAVE TO
SLEEP IN
THIS TREE
TIL JES
AND I CAN
BUILD
A CABIN

YOU'D BETTER
PUT MY SWEATER
OVER VOL BETTY'
IN THE MORNING
I'LL HUNT FOR
GAME TO EAT'

YOU'RE
SUCH A
COMFORT
ARCHIE I
DON'T KNOW
WHAT I'D DO
WITHOUT
YOU'



MORNING
AND OUR THREE
LITTLE CAST-
AWAYS AWAKEN
TO FIND

OMIGOSH
LOOK!

WE'VE BEEN
ON "FIRE ISLAND"
ALL THE TIME.
THE PICNIC
GROUNDS!

NEW DAY AT
VERONICA
LODGE'S
HOME

ARCHIE, WHERE
HAVE YOU BEEN
KEEPING YOURSELF?...
OH, I'D LOVE TO...
THERE'S A DIVINE
PICTURE AT THE
PALACE... THE
ADVENTURES OF
ROBINSON CRUSOE!

AW SHUX, VERONICA
YOU WOULDN'T LIKE
THAT PICTURE & TOO
FAR-FETCHED STUFF
LIKE THAT DOESN'T
HAPPEN!

WHAT'RE YOU
LAUGHING ABOUT?
I'D ENOUGH WORK ON
THAT ISLAND IN ONE
NIGHT TO LAST ME
FOR SIX ISSUES!
BUT I'LL BE RIGHT
BACK IN THE SOUP
IN THE NEXT ISSUE
OF "PEP COMICS"
SEE YOU THEN!

BENTLEY

GOR-
BL MEY!
'E A
BLEEDIN'
EAD!

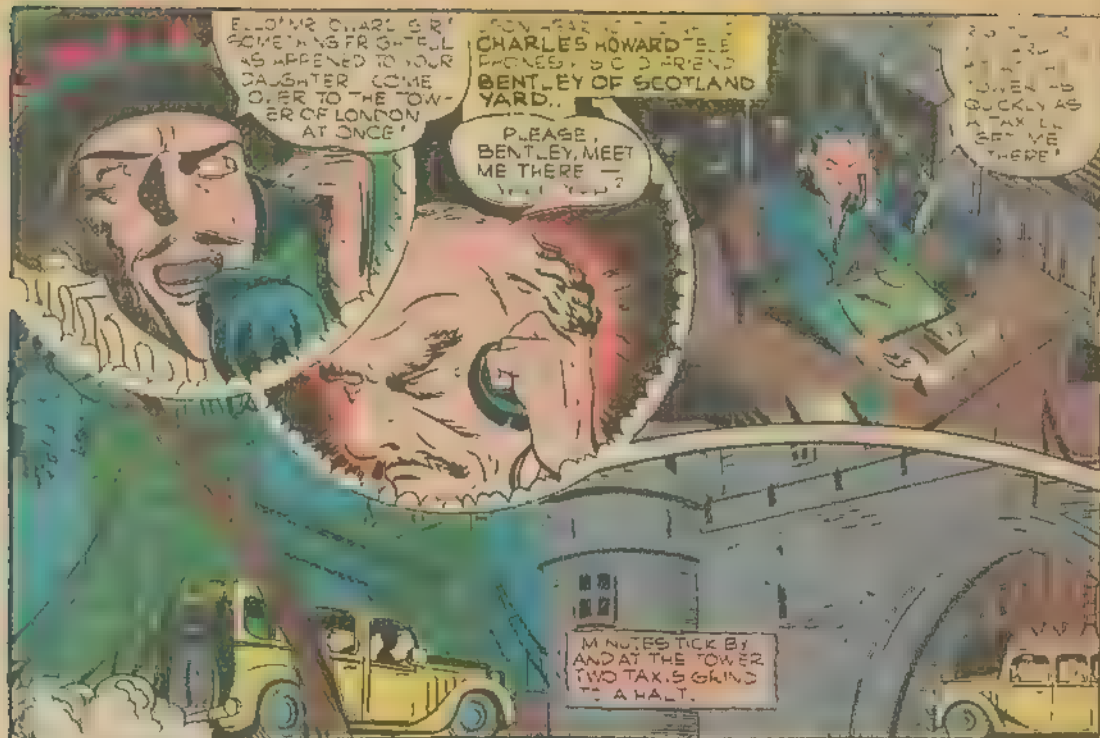
OF
SCOTLAND
YARD

THE HEAD ON TRAITOR'S GATE!

WHAT DO YOU THINK
OF THE HEAD ON THE
TRAITOR'S GATE?
EACH YEAR THE
TOWER OF LONDON'S
REALLY INTERESTED BY THE
RECENT DISCOVERY OF A
BEVERED HEAD FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN HIS BRILLI-
ANT CAREER, BENTLEY
MEETS A CRIME THAT
TESTS HIS DEDUCTIVE
TO THE UTMOST...

LORD LOVE A
LUCK THE EADS
HERE AND THE BULLY'S
ARE 'Y WHY T IT'S
MURDER NO HOWARD!
GOOD LORD!

LL CALL ER
FATHER ON THE PHONE
RIGHT QUICK I USED TO
WORK FOR HIM TW!



ELLO! MR CHARLES!
SOME'N'S FRIGHTFUL
AS HAPPENED TO YOUR
DAUGHTER! COME
OVER TO THE TOWER
OF LONDON
AT ONCE!

CHARLES HOWARD TELLS
PHONES, SO I FRIEND
BENTLEY OF SCOTLAND
YARD...

PLEASE,
BENTLEY, MEET
ME THERE —
YES, YES?

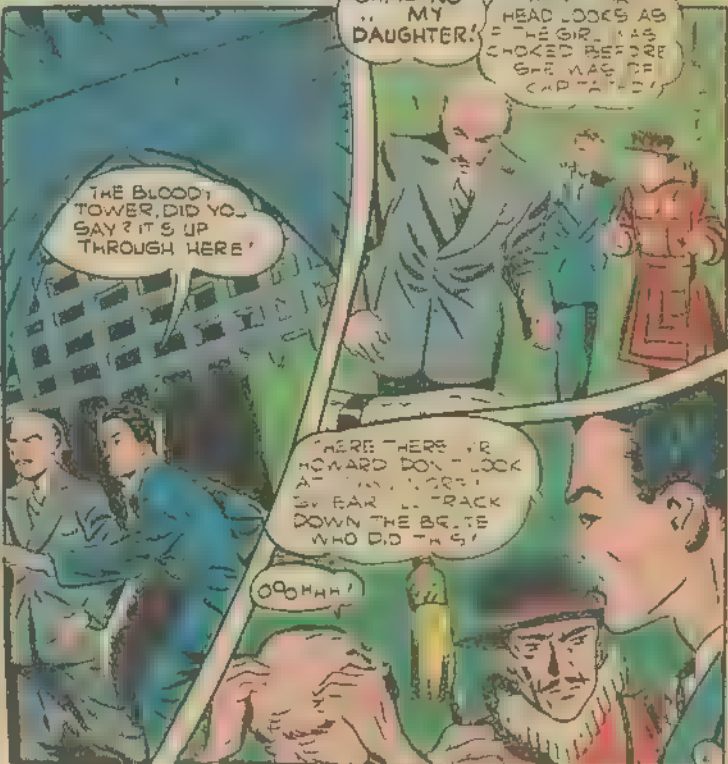
WHEN AS
QUICKLY AS
A TAXI CAN
GET ME
THERE!

MINUTES TICK BY
AND AT THE TOWER
TWO TAXIS GRIND
TO A HALT.



GLAD YOU GO HERE
SO SOON, BENTLEY! THE
REST OF MY FAMILY IN-
ESTED ON COVINS OVER
THEY'LL BE HERE IN A
MINUTE!

HOWARDS CERTAINLY
MARVELOUSLY CALM
ABOUT THIS!



OH, NO! NO
MY
DAUGHTER!

MY HEAD LOOKS AS
THE GIRL WAS
CHOKED BEFORE
SHE WAS OF
CAPTAIN!

THE BLOODY
TOWER, DID YOU
SAY? IT'S UP
THROUGH HERE!

THERE! HERE! MR
HOWARD DON'T LOOK
AT THE TOWER!
SWEAR! TRACK
DOWN THE BEAST
WHO DID THIS!

OOHHH!



YOU KILLED MY KATHERINE, BILL! I FIRED YOU BECAUSE YOU WERE TRYING TO MAKE LOVE TO HER!

THAT'S NOT TRUE, GIR!



HE'S LYING! I NEVER...

WAIT A MINUTE! WAIT! WE WON'T GET ANYWHERE WITH ACCUSATIONS!

AT THAT MOMENT HOWARD'S FAMILY NEARS THE TRIO

OH, THERE THEY ARE!



BENTLEY, I WANT YOU TO MEET JAMES HOOK, FRIEND OF KATHERINE'S... MY WIFE, ANN, AND DR. HENRY HUIT, MY HALF-BROTHER!



HA-HA-HA! HO-HO-HO! LOOK AT YOUR DAUGHTER! DEAD! A CHICKEN WITH HER HEAD CUT OFF!

NOW, NOW, DOCTOR! DON'T EXCITE YOURSELF... YOU KNOW WHAT THE DOCTOR SAID!

PLEASE, HENRY! DON'T CARRY ON SO!

I KNOW THIS PLACE WELL! THE EXECUTION BLOCK!



THIS IS WHERE I BEHEADED MY SIX WIVES! DON'T YOU KNOW, BENTLEY?... I'M HENRY HUIT... HENRY THE EIGHTH! I'M A KING! A KING AMONG MEN!

THE MAN'S MAD! COME BACK HERE, DR. HUIT!

HE'S HARMLESS
ENOUGH! I'LL BRING
HIM BACK, BENTLEY!
DON'T WORRY!



I MUST APOLOGIZE FOR
MY HALF-BROTHER,
BENTLEY! HE OFTEN
HAS DELUSIONS LIKE
THESE BUT WE'VE
KEPT HIM AT HOME,
NOT WANTING TO
HAVE HIM COMMITTED
TO AN INSTITUTION!



ON THE WAY
UP, MRS. HOWARD'S
ATTENTION IS
SUDDENLY ATTRACTED
BY...

BENTLEY,
COME HERE!



SUDDENLY, A SCREAM
FROM ABOVE PIERCES
THE AIR...

HELP--HE-L-L-L-P! HEL
GOOD LORD!
WHAT NOW?



THIS AXE IS
COVERED WITH
BLOOD--HELLO,
WHAT HAVE
WE HERE?



FOUR HUNDRED YEARS AGO
WHEN HENRY WAS IN POWER
ANOTHER OF YOUR FAMILY
WALKED THE BLOODY TOWER

AS BENTLEY ENTERS
HE FINDS...

GET AWAY
FROM ME
BEFORE I
HIT YOU--
YOU OAF!

GIVE ME
THAT CLUB!
YOU'RE
PLAYING
WITH THE
WRONG
DECK--
DOCTOR!



WITH FIENDISH STRENGTH,
DR. HUIT SWINGS AT BENT-
LEY.



BUT WITH A QUICK
MOVEMENT BENTLEY
GETS THE
UPPER HAND

YOU'RE THE MURDERER! DOCTOR! YOUR
INSANITY LED YOU TO IMITATE KING HENRY.
THE BUTLER WHO 100 YEARS AGO HAD HIS
BRIDE, KATHERINE HOWARD, KILLED
ON THIS VERY SPOT! THE NOTE
YOU LEFT ON THE AXE COULD ONLY
HAVE BEEN WRITTEN
BY YOU!

THE DOCTOR AND
I
ARE GOING TO HEAD-
QUARTERS! THE REST
OF YOU RETURN TO
THE HOWARD HOUSE
IMMEDIATELY! WAIT
THERE TILL YOU
HEAR FROM ME!
THIS CASE IS
NOW CLOSED!

YES, MR. BENTLEY,
SIR! COME RIGHT IN
MRS. HOWARD IS IN
THE LIBRARY!

JUST A MINUTE.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING
WITH THAT SUITCASE?

I WAS ASKED
TO THROW IT IN
THE INCINERATOR!

HMM!
SOMEONE'S
FLASHING
LIGHTS
DURING
THE BLACK-
OUT! THIS
NEEDS IN-
VESTIGATING!

BUT HAS BENTLEY
REALLY CLOSED THIS
GRUESOME CASE? WATCH
HIM NOW, HOURS LATER,
AS HE STANDS WAITING
OUTSIDE THE HOWARD
MANSION...

BENTLEY TAKES THE
SUITCASE AWAY FROM
THE BUTLER AND OPENS
IT...

GREAT SCOTT! BLOOD-
STAINS AND A SCALPEL!
THE INITIAL
"H" MIGHT
MEAN IT
BELONGS
TO ANYONE
IN THIS HOUSE!

STILL
UP, MRS.
HOWARD?

YES-I'M JUST
READING ONE
OF MY HUSBAND'S
MEDICAL BOOKS.
HE ALMOST
BECAME A
DOCTOR IN
VIENNA,
YOU KNOW!

THINK I'LL
GO UP TO
BED TONIGHT.
I'LL SEE
YOU IN THE
MORNING.
YOU MAY
SEE ME
BEFORE
THAT! AT
LAST I
HAVE IT!

IN ONE OF THOSE
ROOMS IS THE
REAL MURDERER
OF KATHERINE
GRAYSON!

CAN YOU GUESS
WHO THE KILLER
IS ???

IS IT
DR. HENRY HUIT ?
MRS. HOWARD ?
CHARLES HOWARD ?
JAMES HOOK ?
CHOOSE YOUR
SUSPECT AND
THEN TURN
THE PAGE... (5)

CHARLES HOWARD -
YOU'RE THE
MURDERER!

YOU'RE SMART,
BENTLEY, BUT NOT
CLEVER ENOUGH TO
GET ME!

LIKE A
PANTHER,
BENTLEY
DODGES
TO ONE
SIDE...



THAT LANTERN IS THE FINAL LINK
IN THE CHAIN OF EVIDENCE! YOU
STUDIED IN VIENNA, DID YOU...?
STUDIED TO BE A SPY! YOU WERE
SIGNALLING NAZI PLANES! YOUR
DAUGHTER SURPRISED YOU AT IT
AND YOU CHOKED HER TO DEATH!

IN AN INSTANT
THE OTHERS
RUSH INTO THE
ROOM, AND...

SMOTHER
THE FIRE!
BILL, I'LL
ATTEND TO
HOWARD!

WHAT'S THIS?
WHAT'S ALL THE
NOISE ABOUT?



WITH YOUR ELEMENTARY
KNOWLEDGE OF MEDICINE
YOU CUT HER UP AND CAR-
RIED HER IN A SUITCASE
TO THE BLOODY TOWER!
THERE YOU PLANTED A
NOTE - WHICH WOULD
LEAD ME TO BELIEVE
DR HUIT COMMITTED
THE CRIME!

I LET YOU IMAGINE I WAS
TAKEN IN TO PUT YOU OFF
YOUR GUARD! AND I WAS
RIGHT! THE MOMENT
YOU THOUGHT
THE CASE WAS
CLOSED...

..YOU WENT
BACK TO YOUR
SIGNALLING!
COME ALONG,
HOWARD -
SCOTLAND
YARD WANTS
YOU FOR -
TREASON
AS WELL AS
MURDER!

